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Tech. Buzz

▶ BT Calgary's Gadget Guy Mike Yawney gets his paws on Apple's new iPad 2 yesterday.

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Early iPad 2 reviews are in

Yawney was whisked to Toronto by Apple in order to get tabs on its new techno-toy — and he gives it a thumbs-up. It's faster, sleeker, lighter — and the only downside to the new iPad, Yawney said, is an onboard camera that wasn't up to snuff. The new Apple product goes on sale in Calgary Friday at 5 p.m., but was available online as of 1 a.m. Friday morning.

Offences rare in smoking bylaw

Public education seems to trump ticketing {page 3}

Teens spinning to success

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Stampede ride mishap due to repair, report says

▶ Cracks in ride were 'improperly repaired,' according to engineering report ▶ Government has set new standards for rides in Alberta

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Repairs to a Calgary Stampede ride involved in a serious incident in 2010 were improperly done and likely behind the ride's failure, a report said Thursday.

The report by Anderson Associates Consulting Engineers said that cracks were found in the ride known as the Scorpion after the July 16, 2010, incident that injured 10 people.

Rather than following industry practice, the cracks were simply welded over, the report said.

"The engineers' report is a detailed report, and like I say, we just received this report this morning," said Tony Diaz, general manager for North American Midway Entertainment (NAME).

Diaz said safety is "paramount" for NAME and the company will embrace the new regulations.

The Calgary Stampede is also satisfied with the report.

Calgary Stampede

▶ **Served** Tony Diaz of NAME said since 2005, they have served more than 10 million people at the Calgary Stampede.

Calgary Stampede spokesperson Doug Fraser said despite last year's incident, organizers will continue to use NAME.

"We have not lost confidence in North American Midway," Fraser said. "We'll be working with them to implement the recommendations and ensure that, again, the rides are as safe as possible."

One of the 10 people injured in the accident, Dustin Anderson-Sharples, said on Facebook Thursday that he was seeking legal advice before he speaks to media, after being asked by another person on Facebook if he was considering a lawsuit.

In light of the report, the provincial government implemented five new safety measures surrounding amusement ride operations.

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Wildrose big on funds

Alberta's Wildrose Party announced Thursday 2010 was a record fundraising year with more than 5,100 donors.

Compared to 2009, the party earned more than $1.1 million more in 2010, according to a statement from the party.

The party's total revenue came in just under the $1.8-million mark with $1.4 million in donations.

"I'm absolutely thrilled with our 2010 fundraising figures," said Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith in the statement. "They clearly show that everyday Albertans think our party is on the right track and putting forward strong policies."

Wildrose receives less than 20 per cent of their revenue from corporate donations and the majority comes from individual contributions. METRO

Survey skewed: Alderman

One Calgary alderman believes an online survey she was conducting was "hijacked" by Enmax employees to produce favourable results for the company.

Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart told CBC more than 60 per cent of the respondents who took her survey regarding satisfaction with the company came from an Enmax-registered IP address.

Colley-Urquhart said it seems Enmax workers were asked by the organization to complete the survey via a link on the company's internal website.

"Quite frankly I'm disappointed and I was shocked," she told CBC.

She said 500 of 800 respondents came from an Enmax-registered IP address and the responses came within the same 24-hour window. METRO

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▶ Three municipalities in Alberta have created bylaws to butt out with children in the car — but tickets are rare, according to Okotoks' municipal enforcement leader Tim Stobbs.

No teeth yet to smoking bylaw

- Athabasca latest Alberta municipality to ban smoking in cars with kids
- Public education seems to trump ticketing

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Lighting up around children is being snuffed out in a growing number of municipalities in Alberta.

While three bylaws have now been created, those promoting and enforcing them say it's more of a public education issue.

"We haven't been issuing a lot of tickets," said Tim Stobbs, leader of the municipal enforcement team in Okotoks. "It's mostly educational. Normally we have brochures we hand out to (offenders) if we encounter them."

The Town of Okotoks was the first to establish such a bylaw back in 2008, making it illegal to smoke in vehicles when children under the age of 16 are present.

Stobbs said only warnings have been issued so far in 2011, and that since the bylaw came into effect two and a half years ago, no second offenders have been ticketed.

Whether that's because people are getting the message or it's hard to enforce remains up for discussion.

When Leduc created their bylaw in December to protect those under the age of 18, Health Minister Gene Zwosdesky said a provincewide bylaw isn't necessary.

In light of the Athabasca bylaw, also protecting those under 18, he told reporters earlier this week the province might look into such legislation.

Cost if caught.

- In Okotoks, a first offence is $200 and if you're caught for a second time within a year you're charged $300.
- When Leduc's bylaw kicks in July 2, a first offence will cost $100 and any subsequent ones will cost $200. Athabasca will charge the same when they begin enforcement.

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Murder suspect insane: Lawyer

Calgary dad James Louie was legally insane when he murdered his children, court reportedly heard Thursday.

Louie's defence counsel Noel O'Brien was quoted yesterday saying that because of his client's state, he is not criminally responsible for the 2009 deaths of 13-year-old Jason and nine-year-old Jane.

This came as part of a closing argument in Louie's trial yesterday, where he faces two first-degree murder charges.

O'Brien also reportedly pointed to testimony from Louie's estranged wife as further proof of his client's state.

She had told court that Louie appeared to be non-alert as he wrapped a rope around her neck and dragged her into the bedroom.

Closing arguments from the Crown are expected Friday.

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Museums address security 'deficiencies'

CAROLINA NOVOTNY/FOR METRO

▶ The Military Museums have taken steps to prevent further thefts.

- Theft spree prompts changes
- Military police audit requested
- More details to be released soon

Security upgrades and policy changes have been introduced at The Military Museums in the wake of a theft spree last year.

As many as 500 military collectible items were taken from the storied venue, which showcases eight organizations.

Curators within the museums told Metro earlier this week the primary suspect in the case is a longtime volunteer who allegedly gained access and stole items from a storage room.

Museums executive director Tom Doucette would not comment on a possible suspect, but did say storage rooms have been outfitted with new security cameras and more restriction has been placed on who can access collection areas.

"We have layered security. We have got our gate and our locked doors and alarm systems and things of that nature," he said.

"We have identified some security deficiencies, which we are addressing. We have also requested a military police forensic audit of our security measures."

Doucette stressed that he believes the theft spree is an isolated incident and said people should have no concerns about donating to the museums in the future.

Alison Mercer, curator of the Air Force Museum of Alberta located within the venue, agreed.

"I say it's still absolutely safe," she said, labelling the new security measures as a "crackdown."

"This has definitely been an eye-opener for us."

Support

- **Executive director Tom Doucette** said The Military Museums have received support from as far away as Ontario as they look to recoup the stolen items.

Callebaut to fork over $150K

A Calgary judge has reportedly levied $150,000 in fines against chocolatemaker Bernard Callebaut for removing assets from his former company.

Items allegedly taken from Chocolaterie Bernard Callebaut included chocolate, moulds and other tools.

Callebaut, who started a new company called Papa Chocolat in December, has publicly stated he has returned the items and the whole incident was a misunderstanding.

A judge didn't agree and ordered him to pay $99,150 in restitution as well as cover the legal costs of his former company and receiver Deloitte & Touche.

200 Bernard Callebaut reportedly took more than 200 boxes of bulk chocolate from his former company along with other items.

Callebaut originally founded Chocolaterie Bernard Callebaut in the 1980s but had run into financial troubles in recent years.

He eventually lost the company to receivership last summer.

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Cops charge alleged tagger

Calgary police have charged a local teen after he allegedly tagged more than 100 locations with graffiti. The 17-year-old was arrested from his southeast school Wednesday. Additional charges in relation to the case are possible. The youth's name cannot be released.

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Thief gets hands on sex doll

A thief likely risked a brush with the law for love from a doll Wednesday night.

Police say an individual walked into the Little Shop of Pleasures in the 3800 block of Macleod Trail around 9:40 p.m. and made off with a sex doll torso worth $460.

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Time to flick off for Earth Hour

It's lights out this weekend as communities around the world prepare for the fifth annual Earth Hour. However, one local environmentalist doubts Calgarians will flip the switch.

Historically speaking, Calgary doesn't have the best track record with Earth Hour — an event that encourages people around the world to turn off their lights for one hour.

"I think the challenge around Earth Hour in Calgary is there's typically a Flames game going on and there is again this year, which of course causes a spike in power," said Stephanie Jackman, founder and president of Respect for the Earth and All People (REAP).

Jackman said that in 2008, Calgary's energy consumption increased during Earth Hour and has only marginally improved in the last two years.

"Obviously we're not going to solve climate change by all unplugging things and turning things off for one hour, but what it does do is help us to join the larger community of people around the world that are taking this action."

Earth Hour will take place March 26 at 8:30 p.m.

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"It's a fashionista's day out," said executive producer Sharon Cornwall. "This introduces people to the small boutique owners and gives them a lot of exposure in a very economical forum."

Local celebrities, including Brett Wilson and Henry Burris, will be strutting their stuff on the catwalk, and the winner of Metro's Wearable Art will be announced.

The event will run from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. at the Big Four Building. Tickets are $12 at the door.

KATIE TURNER

Accused artistic, porn trial hears

The lawyer of a Calgary man accused of accessing and possessing child pornography said during closing arguments at his client's trial on Thursday that the material seized by police reflects his client's interest in nudism and art.

Police allege they recovered 30,000 photos and 72 movies of children in various states of dress. METRO

Shooting suspect deported

Canadian Border Services Agency has reportedly deported a Jamaican man nearly three years after his arrest in relation to a Calgary shooting.

Lance Fabian Walcott was escorted back to his homeland March 21 for serious criminality, officials said. He is banned from returning to the country.

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Duckett weighs in on whistleblowing

Ex-head of AHS, ousted after cookie comment, addresses U of C forum

Doctors who want to voice their concerns must do so in a professional manner, the former head of Alberta Health Services said Thursday amid allegations that health workers have been bullied into silence.

"It means they have to disentangle personal interest from system and patient interest. And they are not always the same," Stephen Duckett told a University of Calgary forum on health care.

He declined to comment on accusations that health workers are being muzzled when they point out flaws in the system, such as long wait lists and quality of care.

But he did say that doctors, nurses and other professionals must set aside their personal interests when speaking publicly about patient care or other health issues.

"You are a professional and the public values your views as a professional. So you've got to be careful that you're acting professionally in the comments you make," he said.

Alberta Liberal Leader David Swann has said scores of health-care workers are coming forward with complaints of intimidation. He and other opposition politicians have been calling for a public inquiry for weeks.

Duckett's exit from Alberta's health-care scene in November followed an exchange with reporters in Edmonton in which he declined to answer questions, saying he was busy eating a cookie.

At the conference, Duckett reflected on his nearly two-year tenure.

Immediately upon taking the helm, Duckett had to cut $1.3 billion from the budget — a move that did not win him many popularity points.

"When I announced the budget cuts that I had to make, the immediate media response is that I'm an evil person," he said.

But his job wasn't to demand more money from the province, but to work within the budget he was given, he said.

"I took the view that the Alberta Health Services budget is set by the government. And so my job as the CEO was to actually manage what was set by the democratically elected people. I'm not a democratically elected person. I was an appointed CEO," he said.

"Actually changing that culture and actually saying 'We have to live within an allocated budget' was actually quite tough."

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Looking back

There were some things Duckett said he would have done differently.

- He said he didn't invest enough time and energy ensuring his staff had the skills necessary to implement his vision.
- In deciding to cut beds at an Edmonton mental health facility, Duckett said he "tried to do too much too quickly, with a lack of trust in the community."

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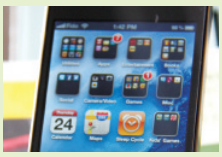

NAIT launches app program

MOBILE DEVICES. Creating apps has become a way of both business and entertainment for many Albertans. Now there is a way to become trained to develop such things for mobile devices. On March 21, NAIT launched its new Apple iPhone/iPad developer certificate program — the only program of its kind offered in Alberta. METRO

Industry to pay for more environmental monitoring

OILSANDS. Federal Environment Minister Peter Kent says industry will pay most of the cost for increased environmental monitoring of the oilsands. Kent told a news conference in Ottawa that the cost will be up to about $20 million a year.

The plan is for more monitoring stations to take more readings along the Athabasca River from Fort McMurray to Wood Buffalo National Park.

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Twitchell's friend speaks

RED CAR. A friend of an Edmonton filmmaker accused of murder says his buddy asked him if he could park a red car he'd bought from a stranger at his house. Joss Hnatiuk says Mark Twitchell called him several days after Johnny Altinger disappeared. Twitchell would later tell police he bought the car for $40 from a stranger in a convenience store parking lot. Hnatiuk told the jury at Twitchell's first-degree murder trial that he had helped him film a short slasher movie.

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Teens spin their way to success

- Guerilla-marketing tactic was created by a U.S. group in 2002
- Some employees work 7 days a week, in temperatures as cold as -30 C

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A Calgary guerilla-marketing franchise is helping local teens get back into the spin of things — literally.

The local group is a franchise of San Diego-based AArrow Advertising and provides its employees, many of which come from youth shelters, with a full-time job.

In return, they ask for vibrant energy and an outgoing personality as their staff members spin, twist, throw and dance with advertising signs for various local companies on street corners.

"It's a great way for them to express themselves," said Shawna Belanger, general manager and owner for Calgary's branch of the sign spinners.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

▶ AArow Advertising sign spinner Joel Grasley shows off his varial one-night stand," a toss trick featuring a 360-degree spin, two flips and completed with a catch in a one-handed handstand.

"We treat it like a sport, we practice twice a week."

Joel Grasley got involved after running into some guys sporting six-foot signs at a local skate park.

He has now been spinning for over a year and mastered more than 150 tricks.

"There's just so much you can do," the 18-year-old said as he moved fluidly from spinning a sign on his head, a move known as the "helicopter," to his back, known as a "turtle spin."

"I have had just a lot of fun. I enjoy doing what I do now and that's what I think is most important in your life."

Sign spinners

Calgary's sign spinners work for companies like Little Caesars Pizza, Impark, Boardwalk and others.

- They even occasionally offer up free-of-charge spinning for local charities, such as the Salvation Army.
- Calgary's crew of sign spinners can currently learn up to 300 tricks. In San Diego, where the marketing tactic was born, spinners can perform 700 tricks or more.
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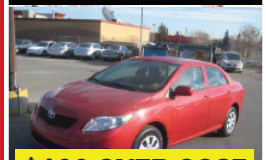

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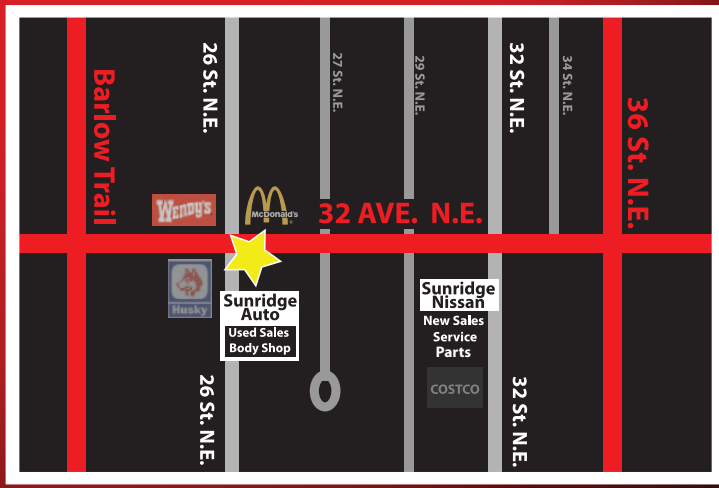

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DOMESTIC ABUSE

Men's shelter takes in first victim

A men's shelter believed to be the only one of its kind in Canada has taken in its first resident.

The Men's Alternative Safe House in Calgary, also known as MASH 4077, is intended for those trying to escape domestic violence.

Program co-ordinator Earl Silverman says the shelter's first occupant was referred there by a hospital.

He has been given $1,000 to help him get back on his feet.

Silverman says six per cent of men are victims of violence perpetrated by females but they have nowhere to turn.

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Tower on the hunt for art partners

KATIE TURNER/METRO

▶The Calgary Tower is looking for some good art.

- Operator planning makeover
- Family-friendly pieces sought

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The observation deck and lobby of the Calgary Tower will soon be getting dressed up with the addition of art displays featuring local talent.

While still in the selection process, the management company of the tower has proposed what it is calling The Calgary Tower Art Partnership. It will make display space available to a local organization that will provide new art approximately every three months.

Scott Hutcheson, CEO of the property owner of the tower, was pleasantly surprised by the response the partnership has attracted from Calgary arts groups and indicated art institutes. Visual and performance arts groups have also come forward with proposals, he said.

While a concrete timeline is still unknown, Hutcheson is hopeful new art will be on display sometime this quarter.

"The arts are important to our community and often get overlooked," said Hutcheson. "Arts organizations and local artists should be displayed, and this is an easy way to do that — to profile them very quickly and get them some exposure."

Hutcheson added that with nearly 200,000 visitors each year, the tower can effectively promote Calgary's culture through this partnership.

News in brief

More struggle to keep homes, study says

More parents are struggling to stay off the streets says a new report released Thursday in Calgary.

The Inn from the Cold 2010 Report to the Community reports an upswing in the number of low-income families struggling to stay in their homes so far in 2011.

Correction

In Thursday's Metro Calgary Entertainment section, it was reported that Fashion Television's Jeanne Beker would be hosting Fashion Has No Borders, based on information from the organizer. This is not the case — Beker will not be at the event this weekend.

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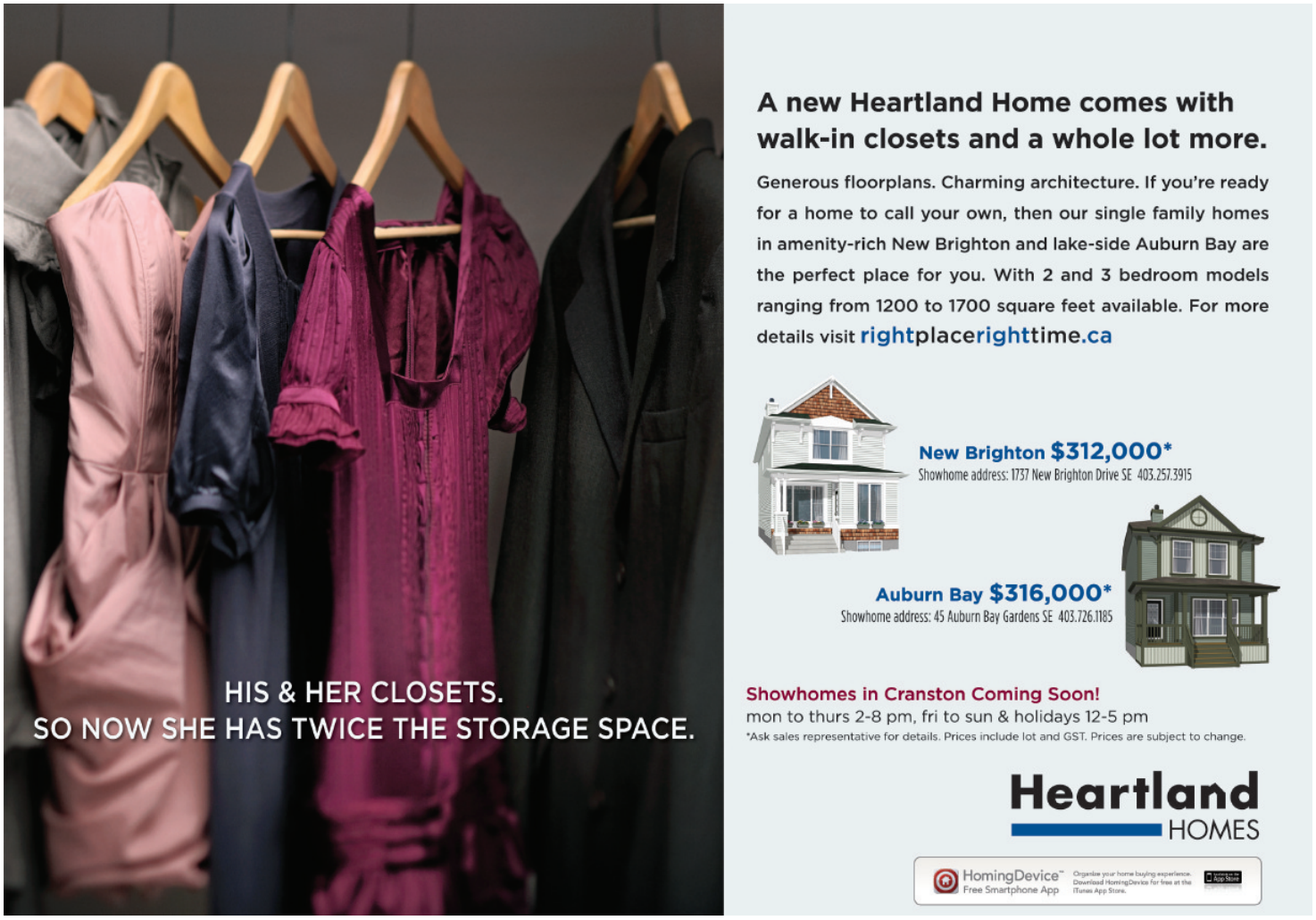

Anguish at the checkout

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▶ Rescue workers survey destroyed houses and debris Thursday in the tsunami-hit city of Rikuzentakata, Japan.

◗ Tokyo stores run out of noodles, rice, milk ◗ Water is a sellout, too

The shelves are empty in stores across Tokyo.

Nearly two weeks of blackouts, distribution problems and contamination fears prompted by a leaking, tsunami-damaged nuclear plant have left stores stripped bare of basic necessities.

People are even turning to the ubiquitous vending machines for hard-to-find bottles of water.

Bottled water grew scarce after officials warned that the level of radioactive iodine in the tap water was more than twice what is considered safe for babies to drink.

Tests conducted Thursday showed the levels in the city's water fell to acceptable limits for infants, but they were up in neighbouring regions.

The grim toll

- Police officials say more than 9,800 people are dead after the March 11 earthquake and tsunami. About 17,500 are missing.

Food shortages were mainly limited to basic staples such as rice, instant noodles and milk.

Vegetables, meat and tofu, meanwhile, were available in most places.

Radiation has been found in raw milk, sea water and 11 kinds of vegetables, including broccoli, cauliflower and turnips.

At the nuclear plant, two workers were sent to hospital after stepping into contaminated water.

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Man sentenced to death for knife rampage

A Japanese court Thursday sentenced to death a man convicted for a stabbing rampage in a popular Tokyo shopping district.

Tomohiro Kato, 28, pleaded guilty last year to murdering seven people and wounding 10 others in a crime that horrified the nation.

The former factory worker slammed a truck into a crowd of people and then stabbed passersby.

The Tokyo District Court determined Kato was mentally competent at the time.

It rejected the defence's request for leniency in sentencing, according to Kyodo news agency.

"It's an inhumane and cruel act. It's not an exaggeration to say that all of Japan was shocked by it," Kyodo quoted presiding judge Hiroaki Murayama as saying.

Before the attack, Kato posted messages online saying he wanted to kill somebody and laid out his basic plan of attack.

Just 20 minutes before the rampage began, he wrote, "It's time."

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▶ Tomohiro Kato

Japan horrified

- Kato's crime so stunned Japan that there was little doubt he would get the death penalty.
- His terrifying rampage took place in Akihabara, a popular shopping district known as a hub for electronics and manga and anime culture.

Three-Headed Monster versus the Tyrant ...

- Take your seats, Canada, for the B-movie election
- Liberals, NDP, Bloc set to change the course of history

If it were a B movie, it might be billed as the Three-Headed Monster versus the Tyrant.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's minority Conservative government was poised for defeat Thursday at the hands of the three opposition parties in the House of Commons.

The vote Friday would raise the curtain on at least five weeks of political theatre and a federal election in early May.

The rhetorical trailers were already being aired Thursday.

The Tories reprised the evil coalition theme they exploited so successfully following the 2008 election, when Harper prorogued Parliament rather than allow his freshly minted minority to be defeated by a Liberal-NDP coalition backed by the Bloc Québécois.

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▶ Bev Oda

Liberals, New Democrats and Bloquistes painted Harper as an undemocratic tyrant — and a hypocrite, to boot — and were to highlight their point Friday with a non-confidence motion based on unprecedented contempt-of-Parliament charges.

In their memories will be International Co-operation Minister Bev Oda and allegations she misled the Commons with an altered memorandum.

Harper was expected to formally dissolve Canada's 40th Parliament with a trip to the Governor General on Saturday morning, making Election Day either May 2 or May 9.

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Ottawa. So long, folks

▶ Stockwell Day says his farewells Thursday in the Commons.

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Bidding adieu before the big vote

Two cabinet ministers and other MPs who aren't running again have delivered their farewells to the House of Commons. Transport Minister Chuck Strahl had a catch in his voice as he thanked those who encouraged him through a bout with cancer. Treasury Board president Stockwell Day praised MPs on all sides of the House for their contributions to the country. Liberal Albina Guarnieri marked the end of 22 years as an MP. Bill Siksay,a one-term New Democrat, said he was honoured to have represented the gay community.

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Yet another quake hits

This time Myanmar jolted, woman killed ◗ Faraway Bangkok shaken ◗ No tsunami, tremor too far inland

Is this the year of the earthquake? First, New Zealand and Japan. Now Myanmar, also known as Burma.

A powerful quake struck northeastern Myanmar Thursday night, killing one woman and shaking buildings as far away as Bangkok. No tsunami was generated.

Homes and at least one bridge were damaged in several villages along Myanmar's borders with Thailand and Laos, residents said.

There were also reports of minor damage in northern Thailand, where a woman died when a brick wall collapsed on her.

Cracks spread in the foundations of some buildings in the province surrounding the city of Chiang Rai, about 90 kilometres from the epicentre. The spires fell off two pagodas.

"The tremor was so strong and things fell down from the shelves. It was very scary, and we all ran out to the streets," said a 25-year old woman who runs a mini-mart in Tachileik, a Myanmar town near the border.

Buildings swayed hundreds of kilometres away, including in Bangkok, Hanoi, Vietnam, and Mandalay, Myanmar.

"We are afraid to go back into the house," said a 34-year-old woman from Mandalay.

Australian Max Jones was in his 27th-floor Bangkok apartment when his building shook so hard he had to grab the walls to keep from falling. "It was bloody scary," he said.

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Deep danger

- The 6.8-magnitude quake was 10 kilometres deep, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.
- It's difficult to get a comprehensive picture of damage in the country's remote northeast where communications, even at the best of times, are sketchy. The military-run government also tightly controls information.

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Portugal faces EU bailout

Government resigns after rejection of debt-reduction plan Interest rate reaches euro-era record

Portugal's financial collapse appeared inevitable Thursday, as markets took the government's resignation as proof the debt-heavy country will lose its yearlong battle to avoid a bailout and deliver another setback to Europe's efforts to boost confidence in the euro.

Investors fearful about Portugal's future pushed the interest rate on its 10-year bonds to a euro-era record of 7.71 per cent — a financial burden that is unsustainable and could soon force the country to ask for a rescue like Greece and Ireland did last year.

The government quit Wednesday after opposition parties rejected its latest debt-reduction plan, generating a new bout of market jitters over the country's future and likely shortening the time it can hold out before asking for help.

Juergen Michels, an economist at Citigroup in London, said a bailout for Portugal is firmly in the cards. The government's resignation "shows that the problems are really huge and unless the market is supportive (Portugal) will need help — and the markets aren't supportive at the moment," he said.

President Anibal Cavaco Silva is scheduled to meet with all political parties Friday to decide the way forward. Elections would not be possible before the end of May, leaving months of unwelcome, and costly, uncertainty ahead.

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Market crash

Upheaval in Portugal was a blow for European leaders who are trying to reassure markets about the soundness of 17-nation euro zone investments.

- **In Lisbon, there was a mood of resignation and dismay as subway workers walked off the job.**
- **It is unclear how soon Portugal could take a bailout.**
- **Market movements showed few fears that pressures will spread to another country, such as Spain.**

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▶ Portugal's departing Prime Minister Jose Socrates shakes hands Thursday with Finland's Prime Minister Mari Kiviniemi during a round-table meeting at an EU summit in Brussels. Portugal's political crisis and uncertainty over the true scale of problems at Irish banks dominated a summit of European Union leaders that was designed to finally put an end to the region's crippling debt crisis.

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▶ A Yemeni anti-government protester shows his arm Thursday, bearing the Arabic writing "24 hours left for your departure," referring to President Ali Abdullah Saleh.

Yemen's youth power

Leaders of Yemen's youth uprising set out their demands Organizers hoping that several million will turn out for Friday demonstrations

The youth groups who began a month-long uprising said Thursday they wanted a new constitution and the dissolution of parliament, local councils and Yemen's notorious security agencies in addition to the immediate ouster of the president.

The widening demands appear to reflect the perception that President Ali Abdullah Saleh's regime has been badly weakened by weeks of unrelenting protests, and the defection to the opposition of a string of powerful officials including members of the president's inner circle.

Several senior military commanders, lawmakers, cabinet ministers, diplomats and provincial governors have also defected to the opposition over the last week.

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Spaghetti brawl on N.Y.C. train sparks food debate

New York City's subway riders can handle panhandlers, rats and tuneless street musicians. But eating spaghetti in a crowded subway car? Well, that's just going too far.

An Internet video that shows New Yorkers brawling over a passenger's right to nosh noodles on the subway has ignited a debate about what people should and shouldn't do in the nation's largest mass transit system.

The video, posted online anonymously, picks up mid-argument, as a woman twirls onto her fork spaghetti from a takeout container and a passenger across the aisle chides her.

"What kind of animals eat on the train like that?" says the woman across the aisle.

The diner snaps back with an epithet, and the exchange quickly degenerates into a fistfight.

"Chill out!" shouts a man as he tries to pull apart the two combatants.

The video has touched a nerve in a stressed-out city where the commutes are difficult and no perceived slight goes undocumented, thanks to cellphone video cameras.

"I think it's nasty when people eat," said Sam Ramos, as he rode a 5 train to the Bronx. "They should go somewhere else."

But at the other end of the car, John Augustine dug into a cup of chili and said people should mind their own business.

"People will fight about all kinds of things," Augustine said. "Are we going to legislate against every one of them?" THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Food fight

- On Internet sites, hundreds of viewers of the spaghetti skirmish debated the smell and the spilling of subterranean snackers. One YouTube contributor mixed video of the fight with scenes from the violent 1983 Al Pacino crime drama Scarface.
- Some New York commuters called for a subway system ban on food, like the ones enforced in Washington, San Francisco and other cities. The Port Authority Trans-Hudson trains, which run between New York and New Jersey, already prohibit eating.

Wife of sex killer wants divorce records sealed

The wife of former colonel and convicted sex killer Russell Williams wants her divorce proceedings kept from the public.

Mary Elizabeth Harriman's lawyer was in an Ottawa court arguing for a seal — or at least a publication ban — on her financial and medical records.

That would cover a deal the couple signed shortly after Williams was charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of two eastern Ontario women.

The agreement shifted ownership of the couple's assets to Harriman.

Harriman's lawyer Mary Jane Binks said opening the divorce proceedings to the public would cause her client even greater harm than she has already experienced.

Williams was a rising star in the military and commander at Canadian Forces Base Trenton before being sentenced to life in prison for the murders, a pair of sexual assaults and dozens of fetish break-ins.

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Two planes join Libyan mission

Canadian aircraft will patrol Mediterranean off the coast of Libya • Mission is 'evolving,' says MacKay

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▶ Libyan rebels take a rest on a checkpoint on the frontline near Zwitina, south of Benghazi, eastern Libya, on Thursday.

The Canadian Forces have sent two Aurora reconnaissance aircrafts to join the seven fighter jets and a frigate already deployed to enforce a UN-mandated no-fly zone and an arms embargo against the regime of dictator Moammar Gadhafi.

The Auroras, out of Comox, B.C., and Greenwood, N.S., carry enough fuel to patrol offshore for 17 hours at a time. They join HMCS Charlottetown and other coalition vessels in preventing shipments of arms and mercenaries into Libya.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay says NATO has agreed to take over command of blockade operations, but there is still no agreement about the alliance assuming charge of the U.S.-co-ordinated no-fly zone.

Much like the Afghanistan mission, there are deep divisions within NATO about assuming responsibility in Libya and some members have imposed restrictions on what their forces can do.

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France continues strikes on Libya

French fighter jets struck an air base deep inside Libya and destroyed one of Moammar Gadhafi's planes Thursday, and NATO ships patrolled the coast to block the flow of arms and mercenaries. Other coalition bombers struck artillery, arms depots and parked helicopters. Libyan state television showed blackened and mangled bodies that it said were victims of airstrikes in Tripoli, the capital. Rebels have accused Gadhafi's forces of taking bodies from the morgue and pretending they are civilian casualties.

The French strikes hit a base about 250 kilometres south of the Libyan coastline, French military spokesman Thierry Burkhard told reporters in Paris on Thursday.

In Tripoli, Libyan deputy foreign minister Khaled Kaim said that the "military compound at Juffra" was among the targets hit before dawn.

Juffra is one of at least two air bases deep in Libya's interior, on main routes that lead from neighbouring countries in the Sahara region that have been suppliers of arms and fighters for the Gadhafi regime. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UN experts speak out for missing

11 The number of disappearances recorded in the last 2-3 months dwarfs the 11 cases reported from the North African country over the previous 30 years, said group's chairman, Jeremy Sarkin.

Hundreds of people have disappeared in Libya over the past few months in what UN human rights experts said Thursday might amount to a crime against humanity.

The disappeared were "mainly people who called for demonstrations and who opposed publicly the regime," said one of the independent experts, Olivier de Frouville. "There are also members of the armed forces who either refused to attack the civilian population, to repress demonstrations, or who tried to rebel themselves."

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Don't write off cheques just yet

Cheque payments in Canada are expected to decline to $113 billion by 2014, down from $144 billion in 2009 But a paper trail still has its uses, experts say

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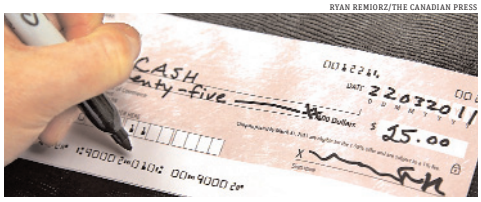

Cheques may seem old-fashioned in a world gone digital. They're costlier, take longer to process and are a good deal more bothersome than swiping a piece of plastic or tapping a computer keyboard. Nevertheless, the paper payment system still has certain benefits, financial experts say.

"I think the cheque's future is downward, but it's going to be with us for a while," says Christie Christelis, president of Technology Strategies International in Oakville, Ont. Over the past 15 years, the debit card has displaced the cheque almost completely in the retail sector, he says.

But while it's cheaper to pay bills using online banking, schools, summer camps and most small businesses still rely on cheques.

"It's a useful tool," says Igor Romanov, owner of ARS International, an appliance-repair business in Montreal. "It's less expensive for the customer and less problems for me," he says, adding he has had very few bad cheques. Otherwise, Romanov says he would have to pass on to customers the price of a wireless payment device.

Cheque-maker NEBS Canada says the use of cheques has remained relatively stable in recent years.

"Mostly, it's for the paper trail," says Wes Carrington, associate product marketing manager at NEBS in Midland, Ont. He says improved security features help to prevent fraud.

"And when you're doing your accounts payable or payroll, it's always nice to have that receipt to show that you've made the payment," he says.

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Retail. L.L. Bean

▶ An employee prepares an order for shipping at L.L. Bean in Freeport, Maine. The outdoors and clothing retailer is offering no-strings-attached free shipping.

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The shipping news

As more and more retailers turn to free shipping to lure customers, L.L. Bean upped the ante on Thursday by waiving shipping fees all the time, with no minimum order. The offer applies to standard two- to five-day shipping by UPS. It doesn't include furniture or canoes.

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▶ Steve-O

5 MINUTES WITH: STEVE-O

Steve-O is one of the stars of Jackass — a TV show with stunts and pranks turned into a movie series. He's currently in Calgary on his Entirely Too Much Information tour performing at the Laugh Shop Friday and Saturday.

Welcome to Calgary! Is this your first time?
It's not my first time, no. I did a show here on New Year's Eve of 2003, which got cut short as we fled the venue, running from police. I was so wasted at the time; I can't even remember what it was that me and my crew had done. I'm happy to say that this time I'm in a much better place.

Seems like you've been pretty busy lately. Tell me about the comedy tour you're currently on.
I've been on tour since last November, and it's been non-stop. My comedy is definitely not for kids, but what's probably most interesting about it is that every experience I speak of onstage really happened. And that's embarrassing for me to admit.

How does performing on stage differ from what you do with the Jackass team?
The standup comedy element of my show provides a real behind-the-scenes glimpse into the world of Jackass and I go straight into a whole set of stunts and tricks after that part. It's really a variety show and I desperately need a fire extinguisher to be on hand, just in case.

Do you prefer being on stage or behind the cameras making movies?
I was born with what I refer to as "an unreasonable hunger for the attention of others." As long as I'm performing, I'm always a happy guy.

Of all the stunts you've done over the years, is there one you wish you could take back?
I wish I would have done more, that's all.

What's one thing you think people would be surprised to know about you?
I grew up in five different countries and spoke three different languages by the age of three — two of which I forgot by the time I turned five.

You recently celebrated three years of sobriety. Congrats! How have things changed for you in those three years?
Thank you. My life is so different today, I don't know exactly where to begin. I think the only thing that hasn't changed about me is my sense of humour and my unreasonable hunger for the attention of others. Today, I am a 100 per cent vegan, caffeine-free, non-smoker and animal rights activist.

KATIE TURNER

Cartoon

MICHAEL DE ADDER

Treasure trove of artifacts

Worth mentioning

The discovery of ancient stone tools at an archaeological dig in Texas could push back the presence of humans in North America, perhaps by as much as 2,500 years.

Thousands of artifacts dating to between 13,200 and 15,500 years ago were uncovered by researchers led by Michael R. Waters of Texas A&M University. They report the discovery in Friday's edition of the journal Science.

The find was located five feet below materials left by the well-known Clovis culture, which was once thought to have been the first American settlers around 13,000 years ago.

'Holy Grail'

MICHAEL R. WATERS/SCIENCE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It was "like finding the Holy Grail," Waters said. To find what appears to be a large open-air campsite "is really gratifying. Lucky and gratifying."

The trove of 15,528 artifacts, including chipping debris from working stones and 56 tools such as blades, scrapers and choppers, was found in the Buttermilk Creek complex near Austin.

The location is the oldest credible archaeological site in North America, Waters said at a briefing. The artifacts were found in a 20-centimetre layer beneath 1.5 metres of earth and other material from later human occupation at the site.

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Metro Minute at REEL film festival

More than one dozen films investigating the creative processes of artists and designers are being shown at the Alberta College of Art and Design this weekend. The third annual Canadian Arts Foundation REEL Artists Film Festival will feature such works as Will, a portrait of the legendary Calgary painter, and How Much Does Your Building Weigh Mr. Foster?, a profile piece on Norman Foster, architect of Calgary's Bow Building.

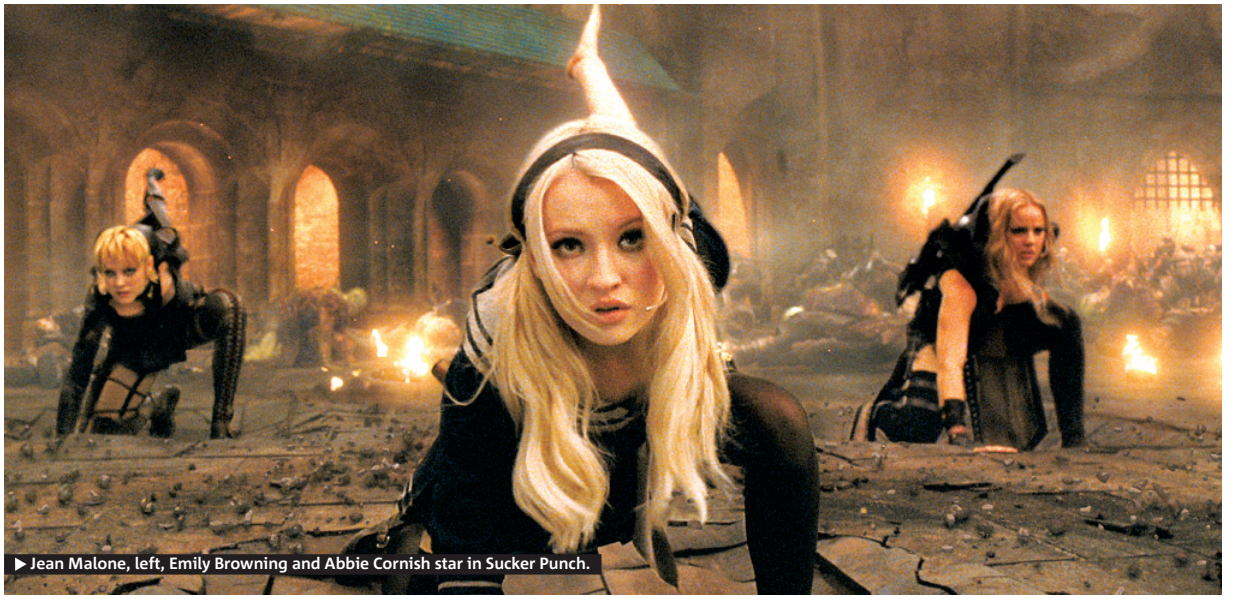
Anyone is welcome to attend the festival free of charge. Films will be shown through to Sunday. A full schedule of the screenings and more information about the festival is available online at acad.ab.ca. METRO

Three days to play

SHOULD WE STICK A FORK IN THE FLAMES? IS THEIR SEASON DONE?

David Debrocke
CALGARY
I think it's better for your health if you accept it now. I don't get my hopes up until they get into the playoffs.

Leah Grant
CALGARY
I'd like to be optimistic, but yes. If I had to make a prediction I would say yeah. They really needed to win (Wednesday) and the game before.



▶ Jean Malone, left, Emily Browning and Abbie Cornish star in Sucker Punch.

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE & MARK BRESLIN
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Who's the Sucker?

Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin debate the merits of Sucker Punch
300 director Zach Snyder brings the visuals, but movie lacks plot and heart

Richard Crouse: Mark, the first thing that came to mind after watching Sucker Punch was, "What the heck was that?" The visual sensualist in me loved the look of it, but the rest of me wanted other things. Like a story. Or characters. It made my eyeballs dance, but left the rest of me bored. You?

Mark Breslin: Bored would be an improvement on how I felt. I HATED this thing. It was structured and shot like a video game. Angry Birds has more character development. And the acting? The lead, Emily Browning, had one expression throughout, a doleful countenance that made me think she had a gastrointestinal problem. Can you find anything good to say about this flick, Richard? Besides the "look"?

RC: It's hard to find much to say about this other than commenting on the look. The soundtrack is interesting and Synder has a way with a camera, just not so much with the story. I also expected more from the action sequences. Unlike Kill Bill, another grrrl power movie with samarai swords, the action scenes here are all basically the same. Tarantino understood the value of the violence and changed it up. Synder doesn't.

MB: Snyder is to Tarantino as Salieri is to Mozart ... I will give Jena Malone credit for making me feel something and it was nice seeing Scott Glenn, even though he's looking more like a carving board every day. But the cruelty of the movie wore me down, and the idea of a mental institution used as a front for a brothel was too ridiculous even as a fantasy within a fantasy. And what's with Jon Hamm's cameo at the end? Huh?

RC: I cannot imagine why Jon Hamm would take this role. It's one of those parts that the characters talk about a great deal but when they finally show up on screen they only have three or four lines. He could have shot this on his lunch break from Mad Men. I don't get it. I do get Abbie Cornish however. For one thing she looks like a young Nicole Kidman, and for another she, for me, was the best part of the movie.

MB: The best part of the movie for me was when it ended. By the way, one of the production credits reads "A Cruel and Unusual Production." 'Nuff said.

RC: Agreed. High ain't-it-cool factor, but no heart.

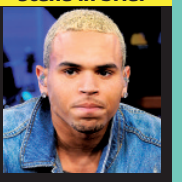
Plot synopsis

▶ Emily Browning plays Baby Doll, wrongfully imprisoned in a mental institution where a sadistic orderly, Blue Jones (Oscar Isaac), has her scheduled for a lobotomy. As it turns out this medical facility is also facilitating more than just its patients, so Baby Doll hatches an escape plan involving a mix of fantasy and reality. Aided by four other inmates she has just one week to get away before her scheduled operation.

▶ **Ratings:**
Richard: ⊕⊕⊕ for visuals, ⊕ for everything else = ⊕⊕
Mark: ⊕

2 scene

Scene in brief



Chris Brown apologized for his destructive tantrum at Good Morning America earlier this week, explaining that he was surprised that his attack on Rihanna was brought up during his interview and needed to "let out steam" after getting upset.

ABC News said the 21-year-old singer smashed a window in his dressing room Tuesday after he was interviewed by GMA co-host Robin Roberts on the show.

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The King's Speech washed out with soap, PG-13 version to be released

Movie review See it twice ●●●●● | See it now ●●●● | Worth watching ●●● | Yawn ●● | Don't bother ●

Hobo knows what the fans want

Hobo With A Shotgun
Genre: Action
Director: Jason Eisener
Stars: Rutger Hauer, Gregory Smith, Robb Wells
●●●½

While most Canadian films can be described as small-scale introspective dramas, Hobo With A Shotgun is pure exploitation trash. It might not sound like it, but that's actually a good thing.

This is easily the most ludicrously entertaining movie to emerge from our country in quite some time. A blood-drenched homage to the twisted genre faire that first-time director Jason Eisener watched on worn out VHS tapes growing up.

It's about a dirty little town where everyone murders, rapes, maims, and tortures to appease a corrupt crime lord and amuse themselves on weeknights. Only a transient hobo with a shotgun, a teen-prostitute sidekick, and a dream of owning a lawn care business can make things right.

Eisener knows the type of movie he's making and has no pretensions of creating art. Instead, he throws as much blood and humour on the screen as possible, pummeling the audience with gory spectacle until they are entertained. With a fantastic lead turn from Rutger Hauer and countless cameos from cult Canadian actors like The Trailer Park Boys' Robb Wells, every character is memorable in a two-dimensional trash movie way. Destined to play to squealing (and possibly inebriated) audiences at late night screenings for years, cinematic guilty pleasures don't come much more pleasingly offensive than this. ● PHIL BROWN

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules
Genre: Comedy
Director: David Bowers
Stars: Zachary Gordon, Devon Bostick
●●½

The second cinematic adaptation of the hugely popular series of books, Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules follows Greg Heffley and his continuing transition into awkward adolescence. While the story primarily focuses on Greg's tumultuous relationship with his brother, the episodic plotting struggles to find balance despite several genuinely funny and authentic moments. ● STEVE GOW

West is West
Genre: Comedy
Director: Andy deEmmory
Stars: Aqib Khan, Om Puri
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A nicely shaped sequel to 1999's hit comedy East is East, West is West picks up the story of the Khan family — whose Pakistan-born paterfamilias George (Om Puri) spend the first film struggling with his sons' assimilation into British society — five years later. In this instalment, George drags youngest son Sajid (Aqib Khan) to Pakistan to foster an appreciation for his heritage, but the story is really about the older man and the impossibility of having a foot in two cultures at once. ● ADAM NAYMAN

Carmen 3D
Genre: Opera
Director: Julian Napier
Stars: Christine Rice, Bryan Hymel, Aris Argirs
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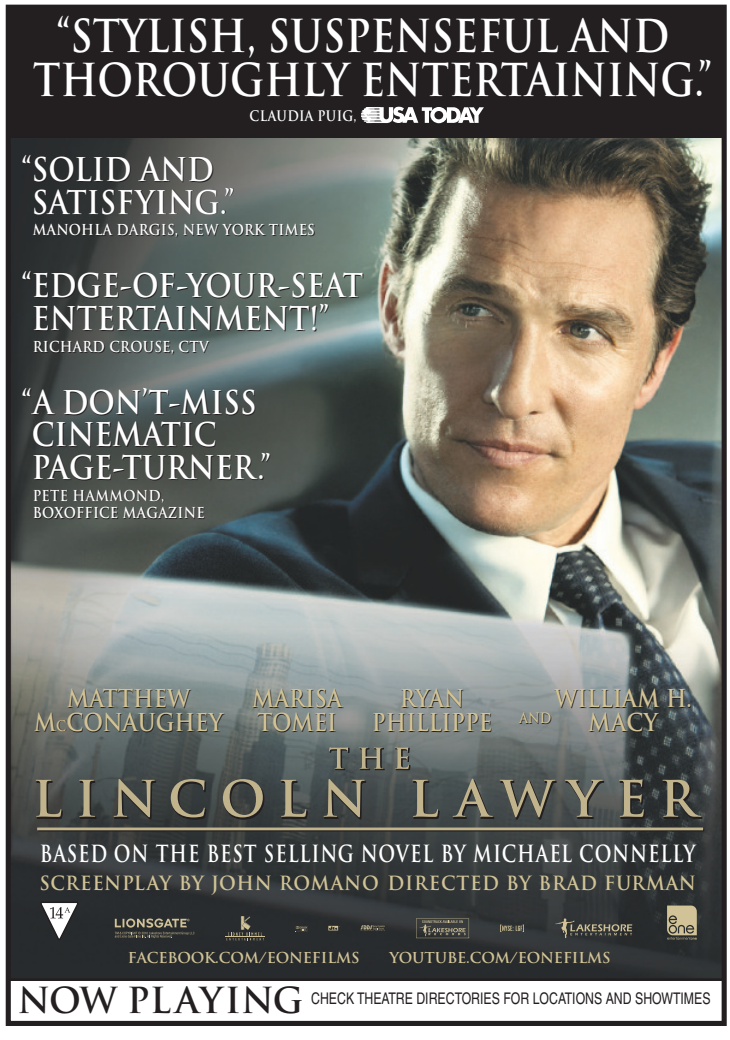
Carmen 3D is the latest attempt to bring the live opera experience to movie theatres, this time taking on Carmen and Don Jose's dirty, tragic dance. The stage production itself is remarkable, filled with matadors, outlaws, gypsies, live horses, vast choruses, talented dancers, knife fights, and bosoms all popping out of the screen in 3-D. In the end, though impressive, this is no substitute for the live experience. ● PHIL BROWN



Monaghan on board for repeats

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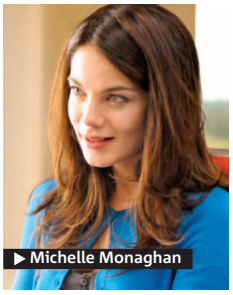
Michelle Monaghan

Source Code is an odd film that falls somewhere between a sci-fi action movie and Groundhog Day. Jake Gyllenhaal stars as a soldier assigned to experimental technology that allows him to repeatedly relive the last eight minutes leading up to a terrorist attack on a commuter train until he uncovers the man responsible.

Over the course of the mission he also falls for a mysterious young woman played by Michelle Monaghan, eight minutes at a time. Metro got a chance to speak with Monaghan, and the actress admitted that she initially struggled with high concept screenplay.

"It was a little tough to wrap your head around at first, but very quickly I was sucked into it," Monaghan said. "The script constantly gains momentum and as I kept reading I was so drawn in that any confusion disappeared."

The complicated screenplay provided a unique acting challenge for Monaghan, who had to essentially replay the same scene with incremental changes leading up to an inevitably explosive climax.

"I was really excited and intrigued by the idea of playing the same scene over and over again, while adding little nuances and new pieces of information to change it tonally," explained the actress. "We had a whole map of the different realities to help us keep things straight on the set. We all came up with funny names for each reality.

"The first was called 'Alfred Hitchcock Source Code' because Jake's clueless and I'm mysterious. It was silly, but also the only way we could distinguish between the scenes."

Despite all of the logistical challenges inherent in such a complex concept, the actress joked that the biggest challenge she faced shooting was something else entirely.

"The only thing that got to us after a while was that the train set was constantly shaking, so when we got off all the actors would stumble across the sound stage. I'm sure the crew loved it."

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▶ Bradley Cooper and Abbie Cornish star in Limitless, which opened across Canada last week.

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With the 40th anniversary of the Juno Awards coming up Sunday from the Air Canada Centre in Toronto, it's time for some handicapping potshots.

Artist of the Year
Arcade Fire, Drake, Justin Bieber, Neil Young, Sarah McLachlan.

Should win: Artistically, critically and commercially, all things point to the Arcade Fire.

Will win: After the Grammy and Brit awards wins, it'll be very hard to deny the Arcade Fire's The Suburbs its trifecta. The bigger news will be if they don't win in their native country. And what will that say about us as a music-making nation?

Group of the Year
Arcade Fire, Broken Social Scene, Down with Webster, Great Big Sea, Three Days Grace.

Should win: Arcade Fire for the same reasons they should win Artist of the Year.

Will win: Arcade Fire. But think about this: Juno voting took place before the band won their Grammy and Brit awards. How many members of CARAS ticked the box for Broken Social Scene? How many of them would like a mulligan?

Single of the Year
Oh Canada/Classified, Find Your Love/Drake, Perfect/Hedley, Hallelujah (Vancouver 2010)/kd lang, Wavin' Flag/Young Artists for Haiti.

Should win: I honestly don't care. This is a very weak category.

Will win: A toss-up between kd lang (just because we remember her singing it at the Olympics), Drake (because he's also hosting the show) and Wavin' Flag (just because it's a feel-good song).

Album of the Year
The Suburbs/Arcade Fire, Thank Me Later/Drake, A Place Called Love/Johnny Ried, My World 2.0/Justin Bieber.

Should win: Arcade Fire. Just give it to them already.

Will win: Arcade Fire — I hope. Drake's record is good but not better than The Suburbs. Same goes for Johnny Reid, who breathed a lot of life back into country with this album. And Bieber? Please.

Juno Fan Choice
Drake, Hedley, Johnny Reid, Michael Bublé, Justin Bieber.

Should win: Because this is a fan's choice award, it doesn't matter who should win. It all comes down to the artist who has the most motivated and mobilized fans.

Will win: Leave it to Bieber. Can you imagine any universe where the outcome might be anything else?

I'd expect solid TV ratings for the show, too, thanks to the new phenomenon of everyone firing up Twitter during awards programs.

That's what I'll be doing. If you want to follow me, look for @alancross

'We turned it into a rock concert'

'Fan-friendly' Junos set to celebrate 40th anniversary

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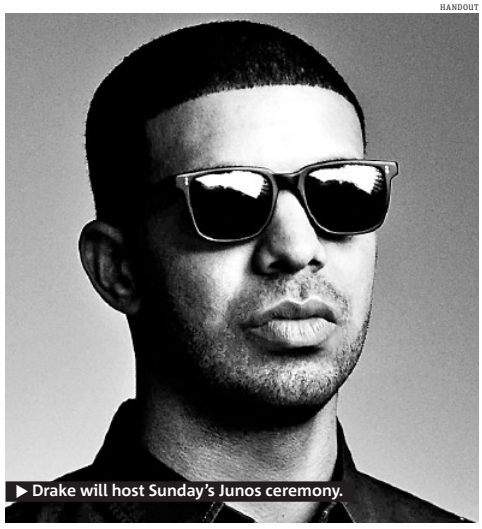

Drake will host Sunday's Junos ceremony.

With events taking over Toronto throughout this week, the Junos have become an inescapable force. That saturation should only increase as Sunday's awards ceremony grows near.

CTV, the network that has broadcast the awards for the last 10 years, has packed Juno week with an additional 90 hours of Juno coverage over the broadcaster's slew of specialty channels.

"It's about the viewers and the fans being up close to their favourite bands," says Susanne Boyce, CTV's president of creative, content, and channels. "There's so much to participate in."

John Brunton, executive producer of the show for the last 17 years, agrees.

"The Junos are different from the Grammys in that they're a fan-friendly show," Brunton says.

The Junos were among the first awards shows to move the ceremony out of small, stuffy amphitheatres and into stadiums.

"We turned it into a rock concert."

Of course it's the live performances that inevitably imprint themselves onto Canadian psyches.

And this year's 40th anniversary show features a diverse swath of artists performing on what Brunton describes as the most high-tech set the Junos has ever attempted.

"When we started, the set looked like the Wheel of Fortune," says Brunton. Back then it was difficult to get Canadian artists to perform, let alone international ones. This year, classic artists like Sarah McLachlan will perform next to acts like Chromeo, Tokyo Police Club and "the hottest indie band in the world," Arcade Fire.

Leading the Juno charge of course is Drake, returning home to host the big show as well as competing for album and artist of the year honours.

"Who would have predicted a few years ago that the hottest rap artist in the world would be from Toronto," says Brunton. "We can compete with anyone in the world when it comes to music."

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Juno who's gonna win?

Will Arcade Fire's Grammy triumph guarantee the band a Juno sweep?

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▶ Arcade Fire pose backstage with the award for album of the year at the 53rd annual Grammy Awards on Feb.13, 2011.

Arcade Fire stunned the music world by winning album of the year at the Grammys last month, so the Montreal rockers will not be cast as the plucky underdogs heading into this weekend's Junos.

After the band's shocking win in the Grammys' top category for their third album, The Suburbs, they now look more like this year's Juno giants.

Most observers think the band is a shoo-in to claim album of the year at the Junos this Sunday. Heck, even the competition is giving Arcade Fire the win.

"If the Junos don't award Arcade Fire with album of the year – especially after the Grammys giving it to them, (and) it is a great album – I'd find that hard to believe," said Scotland-born, Toronto-bred country star Johnny Reid, who's up for four awards including – yes – album of the year.

But even if the evening's biggest prize winds up being the foregone conclusion that some analysts expect, the Junos' 40th anniversary bash will feature several other interesting storylines throughout its extended two-and-a-half-hour broadcast this Sunday (CTV, 8 p.m. ET).

Many of the evening's biggest categories feature established Juno favourites competing with relative newbies.

Group of the year, for instance, will pit critical darlings Arcade Fire and Broken Social Scene against veteran St. John's, N.L., trio Great Big Sea (who have racked up 11 career nominations but, oddly, have never won), hard-rock combo Three Days Grace and the slick, radio-ready rap-pop newcomers Down With Webster.

And then there's the 17-year-old teen-pop titan Justin Bieber, nominated four times this year. The Junos broke many a lovesick teenager's heart last year by shutting out the formerly mop-topped crooner, who still braved the stage for an acoustic performance of his ubiquitous hit, Baby.

In the year since, he's remained atop the pop heap while (somehow) building his already enormous following and releasing a hit 3-D movie. He also might have modestly increased his cred with two Grammy nominations and prominent critical plaudits from the likes of the New York Times.

But here, he'll be up against such established Canuck stars as Neil Young, Sarah McLachlan and Michael Buble.

If those competitors prove too much to overcome, Bieber, who won't be able to attend the ceremony due to a scheduling conflict, might at least count on a win for the Juno fan choice award, given that his army of faithful followers will surely be voting in droves.

"I feel that's the biggest award of the night," said Reid, who's also nominated. "That's the true connection between the people who buy the music and the artist. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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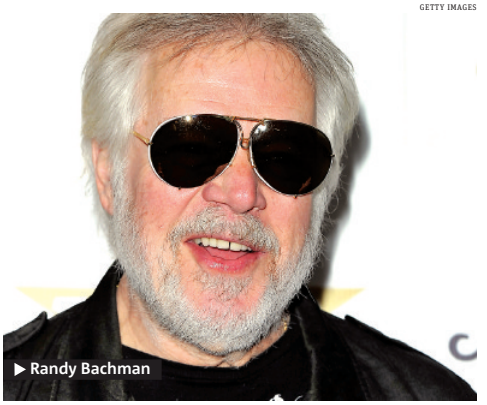

▶ Randy Bachman

Bachman reveals inspiration for hit song No Sugar Tonight

Winnipeg rock legend Randy Bachman says a run-in with some shady characters spawned one of the Guess Who's biggest hits.

At the Juno Songwriters' Circle concert Wednesday night, Bachman said he was on tour with the Guess Who in San Francisco in the late '60s when three guys with "muscles and leather jackets" walked toward him "with a look" in their eyes.

As he crossed the street to avoid them, a car pulled up and one of the guys' girlfriends got out and read him the riot act for slacking off at home.

"And then she said: 'Furthermore, baby, when you get home you ain't gettin' no sugar tonight,'" Bachman recounted as he launched into No Sugar Tonight for a cheering audience that included opera star Measha Brueggergosman. The anecdote was one of many shared by the artists at the Massey Hall show, hosted by country singer-songwriter Johnny Reid. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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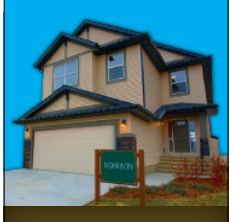
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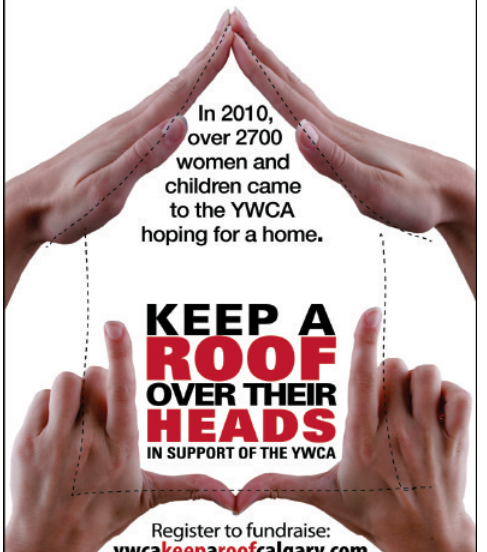
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Zee knows the biz

They say what comes around goes around in fashion — and that goes for the mistakes, too.

Joe Zee, creative director at Elle magazine, is setting out to right those wrongs, though, in a new Sundance Channel reality show called All On the Line.

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▶ Joe Zee's All on the Line debuts Tuesday.

On the show, he'll work with designers struggling to make a viable business out of their creative visions. They all have talent, says Zee, but not always business acumen.

"Every designer fancies themselves an artist, but that's not a business. Marc Jacobs has made a brilliant career marrying art and commerce," says Zee, who grew up in Toronto and now lives in New York.

What Jacobs understands is that while it's important to have a unique point of view, it's equally important that the view is viable and fuels retail consumer demand, Zee explains.

It's why Michael Kors, Donna Karan and even Rodarte are known beyond the microcosm of the fashion world, while All On the Line participants Radenroro, Gemma Kahng and Dana Maxx are not — at least not yet, he says.

His caveat, though: "That's not license to make a basic black dress or a slip dress every season."

Zee's other words of wisdom for aspiring fashion designers out there: Understand that most customers are not models, nor are they model-size.

"You have to see that your clothes need life beyond a 16-year-old who is 5-foot-10 and a hundred pounds. You need to be able to envision women of different ages and body types wearing your clothes."

On that note, he says, be age-appropriate for your potential clients, too. Know your audience — and don't design hot pants for anyone not a teenager.

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▶ The Killing premieres April 3 at 9 p.m. ET on AMC.

More than murder in TV's The Killing

AMC's new drama takes stock of the living after a teenager is murdered ◐ Originally a hit in Denmark, the show has been adapted for an American audience

From the first moments of The Killing, the mood is foreboding.

The climate for the show's Seattle setting is wet. Water plays a key role on this series, and you feel you could catch cold just by watching. But you can't turn away. You're hooked by the simple spectacle of ordinary people living their lives.

Then, catching you by surprise only by how long it takes to confirm, a murder will disrupt the lives of everyone in sight.

The Killing, which premieres April 3 at 9 p.m. ET, is the latest entry in AMC's portfolio of original dramas that began, of course, with Mad Men four years ago and most recently saw the wildly popular attack last October by The Walking Dead.

In keeping with the AMC formula of defying formulas, The Killing has little in common with the network's other dramas other than its fierce distinctiveness.

This is a whodunit, unleashing Homicide Detective Sarah Linden (series star Mireille Enos) and her partner Stephen Holder (Joel Kinnaman) on a grisly case — the drowning murder of Seattle teen Rosie Larsen.

This case will drive the narrative at least through the first season, which, episode by episode, will cover 12 consecutive days of the investigation.

But there's more going on than that.

Rosie's murder will have an explosive impact on the mayoral race of Seattle City Council President Darren Richmond (Billy Campbell), as he becomes swept up by the crime. His imperiled campaign and political career is the show's second narrative strand.

A third: the aftershocks of the murder on Rosie's parents (played by Michelle Forbes and Brent Sexton) and two little brothers.

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Winslet shines in miniseries

HBO's adaptation of the 1941 novel Mildred Pierce will strike a chord with today's viewers ◗ Winslet stars as resourceful divorcée in Depression-era saga

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▶ Kate Winslet and Guy Pearce in HBO miniseries Mildred Pierce

A remarkable thing (and there are many) about the HBO miniseries Mildred Pierce is the way it breathes.

This five-part, five-and-a-half-hour adaptation of the 1941 James M. Cain novel is an unhurried period piece that sets the viewer down in Depression-era Glendale, Calif., and into the complicated world of its heroine.

But even as it inhabits a long-ago time and place, it also seems to dovetail with the current day. Leafy Glendale of 1931 isn't exactly the Dust Bowl, but it, like the rest of the country, has been slammed by economic crisis that, for the viewer, may strike a familiar chord.

Meanwhile, Mildred's plight is magnified: She is suddenly a divorcée, forced to find work to support herself and her two young daughters.

Ambitious and resourceful, Mildred will do that and then some: She builds a restaurant empire.

But during a saga stretching nearly a decade, Mildred, despite her business successes, will face class stigma and a stormy relationship with her precocious daughter, Veda.

She will also confront her sexual self, exploring "aspects of herself she never knew existed," in the words of Todd Haynes, who directed the miniseries and co-wrote its script.

This Mildred Pierce has only a nodding acquaintance with the much-remembered 1945 film, a murder whodunit that brought its star, Joan Crawford, a best actress Oscar.

Haynes calls his version "an intensely faithful adaptation of the novel."

Indeed, it feels like a gracefully direct translation into pictures and sound, complete with breathing room for the audience "to think and to draw connections yourself," as he puts it.

Kate Winslet is a marvel as Mildred, who is on-screen nearly every scene as she goes through many changes and the pressures that propel them.

But Guy Pearce shines in a pivotal supporting role as dashing man-about-town Monty Beragon, with whom Mildred shares impulsive romance.

The first two parts air Sunday at 9 p.m. ET, with subsequent episodes unfolding the next two Sundays. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

TV picks

Buscemi's family secrets

GENEALOGY. Actor Steve Buscemi tracks down some of the shadier characters in his past on the genealogy series Who Do You Think You Are? His family search leads him to his maternal great-great-great-grandfather, a questionable character with a tarnished Civil War record and other secrets. (Friday, Citytv, NBC)

Cracking the antique market

DECOR. Learn to decorate with vintage furniture and other treasures in Cracking Antiques. The series demystifies how to choose investment pieces and incorporate them into your home. (Friday, HGTV)

An empire state of mind

CHALLENGE. New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg is the special guest on today's episode of Project Runway, instructing designers to draw inspiration from the city. Competitors look to the Brooklyn Bridge, the Statue of Liberty and Central Park. (Saturday, Slice)

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Lohan opting for trial in theft case

Turns down plea deal Now facing up to three years in jail if convicted

Lindsay Lohan has officially rejected a plea bargain in her felony grand theft case and instead wants to go to trial, prosecutors tell People magazine.

Lohan's lawyer, Shawn Chapman Holley, notified the judge in the case this week that the actress wasn't interested in the deal, which included 90 days in jail and three years of probation.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for April 22, and if she is eventually found guilty, Lohan faces up to three years in prison.

She could face additional jail time if a judge rules that the felony charge violates her probation from an earlier case.

Lohan has always maintained her innocence since the accusations emerged following a Jan. 22 heist of the $2,500 necklace from a Venice jeweler.

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Lindsay Lohan

Talking points

Biel getting close with Butler?

PEOPLE While recovering from her breakup with Justin Timberlake, Jessica Biel has reportedly found a fast friend in co-star Gerard Butler while the two film Playing the Field in Shreveport, La., according to Us Weekly.

In fact, during a crew member's birthday party, Butler reportedly appeared to want to be more than friends.

"When Gerry got there, he made a beeline for Jessica. He was really flirting with her."

The pair have reportedly gone out together a few more times since then, though friends of Biel say she doesn't want to be anything more than friends with Butler. METRO

Ashley Green getting over Joe Jonas

PEOPLE Ashley Green appears to be making the most of the single life after splitting with Joe Jonas.

While last week rumors circulated about the Twilight actress and Kings of Leon bassist Jared Followill, this week Greene has reportedly been cosying up to Captain America star Chris Evans, according to E! Online.

"Ashley was all over (Chris), and he certainly didn't mind," a source says of their meeting at L.A. nightclub Trousdale earlier this week. "They were dancing together very closely. It looked like they had a lot of sexual chemistry."

The source adds that none of this means she'll be settling into a relationship again right away.

"Ashley is newly single. She's hot; of course she's going to be out having fun."

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Celebrity tweets

Charlie Sheen [@charliesheen] rumors? fact? while feet drag, the warlock levitates. away from fools gold, or towards the actual mine.

Mandy Moore [@TheMandyMoore] A quick trip to the south still allowed for hushpuppies and sweet tea. yeah!!

Neil Patrick Harris [@ActuallyNPH] Ok, no more answering of questions for a spell. Knuckleheads keep sending the same ones to me hundreds of times...

Russell Brand [@rustyrockets] I hear @katyperry rocked Manchester- she's the new Noel Gallagher. I'll have to watch her eyebrows don't join up.

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Breakup blamed on Cooper's career

While speculation has run rampant as to why Renee Zellweger and Bradley Cooper split up last week, sources close to the former couple say the reason is clear.

"If I had to pick any possible mistress it would be Brad's career," a source tells Us Weekly.

"He worked really hard to get into leading man status. Renee had to take a backseat. She travelled with him to make it work."

Despite Zellweger's efforts, the source says it didn't work. "It was just not working out." METRO

Bradley Cooper

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It may not be on the radar for many winemakers, but for cocktail aficionados, cucumber is the flavour of 2011.

While in San Francisco earlier this year, I headed to ANZU — a California-Japanese fusion restaurant in the posh Hotel Nikko — to score excellent sushi and get the recipe for its famous Cucumber Sake Martini. Success.

Ingredients

- 1 ½ oz sake
- ½ oz Hendrick's gin
- ½ oz lime juice
- 3 cubes diced cucumber
- Splash of simple syrup
- Ice cubes
- 1 cucumber wedge for garnish

Directions

Place cucumber cubes, simple syrup and lime juice into martini shaker and muddle ingredients. Add ice, sake and gin, and shake, shake, shake. Strain into martini glass; garnish with cucumber.

I use American-made Gekkeikan sake ($9.45 - $11.29) and Hendrick's gin ($42.95 - $44.45), which happens to be made with an infusion of roses and, wait for it, cucumber.

This creates a bright tipple with cucumber flavour, a subtle essence of sake and a whisper of gin that's perfect for springtime sipping.

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Start to finish: 1 hr and 15 mins (plus cooling)
Servings: 8

▶ This tart sports a coconut crust that is both chewy and crispy, a pudding-like vanilla-almond filling and fresh fruit.

Easy as pie — literally

Martha Stewart returns with a new book to simplify making pies and tarts

Whoever coined the phrase "easy as pie" clearly didn't bake much. Enter Martha Stewart ... again.

Stewart's latest cookbook — simply named Pies & Tarts — offers more than 150 recipes whose clear instructions, gorgeous photos and brevity take the intimidation out of pastry.

Organized by category from "classic" (think apple) to "free-form" (no pie plate handy?) to "artful" (double lattice crusts, shingled leaves), the book lets users pick pies according to their skill and occasion.

From savoury tarts to mile-high meringues, the range of pastries offered makes the book useful all year round. Mini chicken potpies with herbed crust make a hearty winter meal, while vegetable tartlets filled with zucchini and tomatoes are an elegant summer lunch.

Everyday desserts, such as a fruit tart with a cookie-like crust, can be made at any time of the year with whatever's in the market, and free-form galettes — in which dough is simply rolled and folded over a mound of fresh fruit — are easy enough for a busy Tuesday night.

Even this Coconut and Berry Tart, which is snuggled into a macaroon-like crust of coconut and egg white, is simple and makes a great centrepiece for any dinner table.

True to the formula of Stewart's books, an instructional chapter offers the 1-2-3 of crust making and excellent tips about freezing ingredients so you're ready when guests pop by. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Coconut and Berry Tart

Ingredients:

Crust

- 500 ml (2 cups) unsweetened shredded coconut
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) sugar
- 2 large eggs, separated
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) vanilla extract
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) salt

Filling

- 1/2 vanilla bean, halved lengthwise
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) vanilla soy milk
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) sugar, divided
- 10 ml (2 tsp) arrowroot
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) almond paste
- 250 ml (1 cup) almond flour
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) soy cream cheese
- 75 ml (5 tbsp) apricot jam
- 1 l (4 cups) mixed fresh berries such as sliced strawberries, blueberries and raspberries

Preparation:

1. Heat oven to 180 C (350 F). To prepare crust, in a bowl combine coconut, sugar, 2 egg whites, vanilla and salt. Press mix into bottom and up sides of a 23-cm (9-inch) round fluted tart pan with removable bottom.
2. To make the filling, scrape the seeds from the vanilla bean into a saucepan, then add pod. Set over medium-high heat, then stir in soy milk and 30 ml (2 tbsp) of sugar. Bring to a boil.
3. In a small bowl, whisk together 2 egg yolks, arrowroot and remaining 30 ml (2 tbsp) sugar. Add hot soy-milk mix in a slow, steady stream, whisking until combined.
4. Return mix to pan, and whisk over medium heat until thickened, about 2 minutes. Discard the vanilla pod.
5. In bowl, use an electric mixer on medium to beat soy-milk mix and almond paste for 5 minutes. Beat in the almond flour and soy cream cheese. Spread mixture evenly over the crust. Bake for 15 minutes.
6. Cover the edges of the tart with foil. Bake until set, another 15 to 25 minutes. Let the tart cool in the pan on a wire rack. Unmold.
7. In saucepan over medium, heat jam until loose. With offset spatula, spread jam over the tart. Arrange berries on top, and serve.

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Healthy kids

Samara Foisy, Heart and Stroke Foundation's registered dietitian, offers advice to help families get from point A to point Z, with nutritious stops in between.

- Suggest pizza on whole grain crust with vegetables.
- Order dressing or sauce on the side. This way, you can control how much is added.
- Opt for grilled, baked, poached or steamed dishes.

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Nathan Myhrvold conquered science. Now he's using science to conquer food.

START YOUR PLEDGE AT EARTH HOUR

Opinion

JIM LEAPE
DIRECTOR GENERAL
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OF EARTH HOUR

"Think about what you can change in your daily lives — at home, at work or at play — that will benefit our world. After all, we only have one planet"

Earth Hour is always an exciting event for me. In previous years I've been lucky enough to switch off the lights at the Forbidden City in Beijing and the Eiffel Tower in Paris — just two of the thousands of cities and famous landmarks to go dark for Earth Hour. Saturday night I'll be joining the government and people of Delhi in turning off the lights at India Gate, as part of the world's biggest event to celebrate our amazing planet — and pledge to look after it better.

That's the great thing about Earth Hour. All of us — communities, corporations and governments — can participate as global citizens and send a serious message that we want a more sustainable future for ourselves and for the Earth. But switching the lights off for 60 minutes is just the beginning. This is our chance to take actions in our everyday lives which together could add up to some pretty big changes.

For the past five years, WWF's Earth Hour has done a lot to raise awareness about why we need to live a more sustainable lifestyle. This year, for the first time, the hundreds of millions of people who join in the world's biggest voluntary participation event can pledge to go "beyond the hour." Already individuals, businesses and governments from all over the world have made pledges to reduce wasteful consumption including recycling rainwater, cycling to work, eating less meat and, of course, switching off lights and appliances when we're not using them.

So this year I'm asking all of you to think about what you can change in your daily lives — at home, at work or at play — that will benefit our world. After all, we only have one planet — and we need to sustain it for future generations.

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▶ Toronto's Dundas Square just before and after Earth Hour.

10 WAYS TO REDUCE PLASTIC CONSUMPTION

Plastic has had many advantages to humanity, but it's time to take stock. With landfills and oceans burdened by countless tonnes of plastic debris, reducing our dependence to the material is a matter of seismic importance. But it doesn't have to be a huge chore. Here are some small ways that can greatly reduce our fondness for plastics.

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WASH THE DISHES WITH OLD, CLEAN CLOTHES!

1 Old well-worn jeans, cut up into small squares, can serve as a great alternative to plastic dish scrubbers.

USE REUSABLE FABRIC BAGS FOR SHOPPING

2 Choose an eco-friendly shopping bag made from 100 per cent recycled cotton.

SELL, RECYCLE AND REUSE PLASTIC PRODUCTS

3 If you need to discard items like cellphones or computers, at least recycle them at an electronics recycling center.

BUY LOOSE FRUIT, VEG AND MEAT OVER PRE-PACKAGED

4 Choose your desired amount of food, resulting in a double bonus: less food waste and plastic use.

SAY 'NO' TO PLASTIC BOTTLES

5 Invest in an aluminum water bottle and fill it up with your water filter jug. If you need to splash out on bottled water, make sure the bottle gets recycled!

PAPER BAG YOUR LUNCH

6 Wax paper or foil is better for wrapping your sandwiches than plastic. At least make sure the lunch container is reusable.

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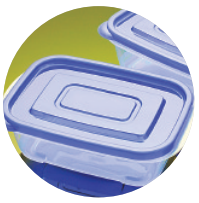
CHOOSE NATURAL PRODUCTS

7 Think 'natural', not 'unnatural.' Go for materials like cotton, wood, hemp or paper; they are healthier and biodegradable.

IF YOU NEED TO USE PLASTIC, MAKE SURE IT'S DURABLE

8 If plastic is the only option available, use high-quality ones, so that you can reuse them as many times as possible.



DITCH THE CLING

9 When you need to store your leftovers, don't cover them with cling film. Use a plate or reusable storage container with a lid instead.

BE AWARE OF PLASTIC NEEDS AT HOME

10 You can buy laundry detergent in paper boxes instead of liquid in plastic, or a bar of soap rather than body wash in plastic containers.

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HERE ARE YOUR TOP 10 THINGS TO DO IN THE DARK!

For Earth Hour, the Metro Life Panel team wanted to know what are YOUR Top 10 things to do in the dark!

79% of Metro respondents plan to turn off the lights for Earth Hour on March 26th @ 8:30PM.

And your Top 10 things are...

1. Fall asleep
2. "Play" under the sheets
3. Gaze at the stars
4. Makeout on the couch
5. Go for a walk
6. Eat!
7. Chat with your friends
8. Drink some wine, beer or cocktails
9. Play cards
10. Candle lit dinner

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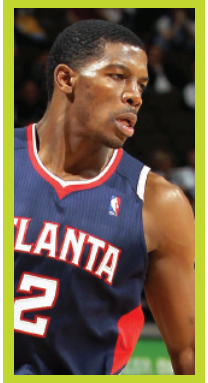

"We're a team that sits here in this locker room and talk all the time about what we want to do and what we need to do. Then we go out on the floor and do things that are out of our character or that's not within ourselves. It makes us all look bad. Until we get that part of the game down, then we're going to continue to look bad."

ATLANTA HAWKS GUARD JOE JOHNSON ON THE TEAM'S STRUGGLES. ATLANTA HAS BEEN BLOWN OUT AT HOME MORE OFTEN THAN ANY TEAM WITH A WINNING RECORD IN NBA HISTORY.

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The home stretch

With two weeks left, plenty of drama remains in playoff races

The Detroit Red Wings know what it's like to carry big expectations into the post-season. The Vancouver Canucks do not.

That's what makes the upcoming Stanley Cup playoffs as wide open as can be.

While the top of the NHL standings seem settled, much is to be decided at the bottom of both the Eastern and Western conferences. It promises to be a frantic final two and a half weeks that will determine who gets the first crack to knock off the Canucks, Red Wings and other prime contenders.

"Obviously, if we're going to wind up on top of the conference, we should be the favourites," said NHL leading scorer Daniel Sedin of the Canucks. "If we can play this good for 82 games, we should be able to do it in the playoffs."

The Canucks stretched their lead over Detroit to 10 points Wednesday with a 2-1 win. Vancouver is up by eight points on Eastern Conference-leading Philadelphia, looking to wrap up its first Presidents' Trophy.

However, finishing first overall doesn't guarantee playoff success.

The Red Wings have captured the Presidents' Trophy six times. They went on to win the Stanley Cup only twice in those years.

"You see their record, you don't win every night by accident.... But what the measure is going to be for them is what they do in playoff time — just like it is for us."

RED WINGS COACH MIKE BABCOCK ON THE REGULAR-SEASON DOMINANCE OF THE CANUCKS

In the East last year, the conference finals featured the seventh-seeded Flyers, who didn't secure a playoff spot until winning a shootout on the final day of the season, and the eighth-seeded Canadiens.

This year, the Flyers' only concern is staying in first over the hard-charging Washington Capitals, who were just one point back Thursday with eight games remaining.

With teams having anywhere from eight to 10 games left before the season ends April 10, only six of 30 teams entered Thursday more than 10 points out of a playoff spot. There were 20 teams within five points.

In the West, 10th-place Calgary was only 10 points behind No. 2 Detroit and three points out of fifth.

"You look at that three through eight and that can really change the next two weeks," said forward Dany Heatley of the third-place San Jose Sharks.

"You want to have the highest seed as possible, obviously, for home ice and things like that."

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Number of teams in 24 seasons to win both the Presidents' Trophy and the Stanley Cup in the same season.

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▶ Nathan Horton scores on Montreal's Carey Price Thursday in a 7-0 blowout by the Bruins in Boston.

Canadians earn playoff shot with clutch curling

Canada's medal hopes remain alive at the Capital One World Women's Curling Championship after two key victories to close out the round robin.

But Amber Holland and her Regina rink need to win a playoff game to keep going in Denmark.

Fortunately, the Canadian women are on a roll after struggling early in the event. They came out on top of two must-win games Thursday — defeating South Korea 9-2 before handing defending champion Andrea Scheopp of Germany an 8-6 loss.

Sweden (9-2) and China (8-3) clinched the top two playoff spots.

The Danes claimed third place, leaving Canada and Switzerland to meet in a playoff game for fourth Friday (TSN, 7 a.m. MT).

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▶ Canada's Tammy Schneider.

Sports in brief

Oswalt shakes off ball to head

MLB. Philadelphia Phillies right-hander Roy Oswalt was in good spirits the day after taking a line drive under the right ear while pitching against the Tampa Bay Rays.

Oswalt said he had a small lump on the back of his head but doesn't have a headache. He expects to make his next start.

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Eskimos sign former NCAA star returner

CFL. The Edmonton Eskimos are hoping Brandon James will be a difference-maker in the CFL.

The Eskimos signed the former NCAA star to be a kick returner Thursday. He set a number of records during his collegiate career at Florida, where he helped the school to a national title in 2007 and was twice named an All-SEC player.

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Carolina	73	34	29	5	5	205	217	78	20-12-2-2	14-17-3-3	5-4-1-0	W2
Toronto	75	34	31	5	5	199	228	78	17-14-3-4	17-17-2-1	5-4-1-0	W3
Atlanta	73	31	30	5	7	204	239	74	16-14-2-5	15-16-3-2	5-4-1-0	W1
New Jersey	73	34	35	3	1	155	186	72	18-15-2-1	16-20-0-1	6-4-0-0	L1
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Chicago	73	40	25	3	5	238	202	88	23-14-0-0	17-11-4-4	6-2-1-1	W2
Anaheim	74	41	28	3	2	212	216	87	23-12-1-1	18-16-2-1	7-3-0-0	L1
Dallas	73	38	25	4	6	206	206	86	20-11-3-5	18-14-1-1	4-2-3-1	L2
Calgary	76	37	28	4	7	230	222	85	22-12-1-3	15-16-3-4	4-4-1-1	L3
Minnesota	74	35	31	3	5	185	207	78	17-15-2-3	18-16-1-2	2-6-2-0	L7
Columbus	73	33	29	4	7	199	223	77	16-16-1-3	17-13-3-4	2-4-1-3	L2
St. Louis	74	33	32	4	5	206	216	75	21-12-1-3	12-20-3-2	5-5-0-0	W1
Colorado	73	28	37	7	1	206	258	64	15-18-4-0	13-19-3-1	2-7-0-1	L1
Edmonton	74	23	41	2	8	176	244	56	12-20-1-4	11-21-2-3	2-6-1-1	L8

x — clinched playoff berth; y — clinched division title; d — division leaders; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL or SOL columns.

Last night's results
St. Louis 4 Edmonton 0
Toronto 4 Colorado 3
Ottawa 2 N.Y. Rangers 1 (OT)
Boston 7 Montreal 0
Atlanta 2 N.Y. Islanders 1
Pittsburgh 2 Philadelphia 1 (SO)
Nashville 5 Anaheim 4
Columbus at Phoenix
San Jose at Los Angeles
Wednesday's results
Vancouver 2 Detroit 1
San Jose 6 Calgary 3
Anaheim 4 Dallas 3 (OT)
Chicago 4 Florida 0
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Florida at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
N.Y. Rangers at Boston, 1 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.
New Jersey at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Washington at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Nashville, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 10 p.m.

LEAFS, AVALANCHE 3

First Period
1. Colorado, Winnik 11 (McClement, Johnson) 5:55 (sh)
2. Toronto, Kulemin 27 (Grabovski, MacArthur) 10:32
3. Toronto, Kulemin 28 (MacArthur, Phaneuf) 19:54
Penalties — McLeod Col (roughing) 5:42, Komisarek Tor, Gaunce Col (fighting) 8:53, Sjostrom Tor (tripping) 16:45.
Second Period
4. Toronto, Bozak 13 (Schenn, Gunnarsson) 9:37
5. Colorado, O'Reilly 10 (Stoa, Johnson) 12:36 (pp)
Penalty — Brent Tor (holding) 11:51.
Third Period
6. Toronto, Kessel 29 (Lupul, Phaneuf) 3:02 (pp)
7. Colorado, Duchene 26 (Johnson, O'Reilly) 11:54
Penalties — Yip Col (interference) 2:15, Liles Col (hooking) 12:40.
Shots

Toronto	9	10	8	—27
Colorado	3	13	12	—28

Goal (shots-saves) — Toronto: Reimer (W,17-7-4); Colorado: B.Elliott (26-23), Budaj (L,13-17-4)(start third)(1-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Toronto: 1-3; Colorado: 1-2.
Referees — Brad Meier, Francois St. Laurent.
Linesmen — Mark Shewchyk, Brad Lazarowich.
Att. — 14,364 (18,007) at Denver.

SENATORS 2, RANGERS 1 (SO)

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Svatos Ott (high-sticking) 15:32, Z.Smith Ott, Sauer NYR (unsportsmanlike conduct) 19:36.
Second Period
1. Ottawa, Shannon 10 (Butler, Foligno) 15:21
Penalties — Z.Smith Ott, Sauer NYR (fighting) 1:45, Wolski NYR (high-sticking) 12:58.
Third Period
2. N.Y. Rangers, Prust 12 (Staal, Girardi) 2:45
Penalties — McDonagh NYR (holding) 11:47, Winchester Ott, Z.Smith Ott, Boyle NYR, Dubinsky NYR (roughing) 18:20, Neil Ott (holding) 19:34.
Overtime — No Scoring.
Penalties — None.
Shootout
Ottawa wins 1-0
Ottawa (1) — Spezza, miss; Shannon, miss; Svatos, miss; Foligno, miss; Karlsson, goal.
N.Y. Rangers (0) — Christensen, miss; Zuccarello, miss; Wolski, miss; Dubinsky, miss; Callahan, miss.
Shots

Ottawa	7	9	10	4 —30
N.Y. Rangers	5	9	10	6 —30

Goal — Ottawa: Anderson (W,20-19-3); N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist (L,32-24-5). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Ottawa: 0-2; N.Y. Rangers: 0-2.
Referees — Wes McCauley, Kyle Rehman.
Linesmen — Michel Cormier, Andy McElman.
Attendance — 18,200 (18,200).

BRUINS 7, CANADIENS 0

First Period
1. Boston, Boychuk 2 (Chara, Krejci) 1:01
2. Boston, Campbell 11 (Chara, Boychuk) 13:43
3. Boston, Horton 21 (Lucic, Krejci) 17:28 (pp)
Penalties — Seidenberg Bos (tripping) 4:18, Hamrlik Mtl (holding) 6:05, Plekanec Mtl (double high-sticking) 14:10.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Gomez Mtl (high-sticking) 10:40, Mara Mtl (roughing, roughing), Recchi Bos (cross-checking) 12:43, Gomez Mtl (holding) 17:43, Mara Mtl, Campbell Bos (fighting) 19:43.
Third Period
4. Boston, Horton 22 (Krejci, Lucic) 4:03
5. Boston, McQuaid 3 (Chara, Lucic) 4:29
6. Boston, Kaberle 4 (Recchi, Marchand) 11:27
7. Boston, Campbell 12, 13:35 (sh)
Penalties — Kelly Bos (tripping) 1:35, Horton Bos (holding) 12:06, Marchand Bos (roughing) 12:43, Horton Bos (hooking) 16:55.
Shots

Montreal	9	6	9	—24
Boston	18	11	12	—41

Goal (shots-saves) — Montreal: Price (L,34-26-6)(33-28), Auld (4:29 third)(8-6); Boston: Thomas (W,31-10-8). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Montreal: 0-5; Boston: 1-6.
Referees — Dan O'Halloran, Dan O'Rourke.
Linesmen — Steve Barton, Derek Amell.
Att. — 17,565 (17,565) at Boston.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	40	55	95
H.Sedin, Vcr	18	70	88
Stamkos, TB	43	43	86
St. Louis, TB	26	59	85
Perry, Ana	40	40	80
Ovechkin, Wash	29	48	77
Toews, Chi	30	44	74
Zetterberg, Det	21	52	73
Iginla, Cal	34	38	72
Kopitar, LA	25	47	72
B.Richards, Dal	25	44	69
Sharp, Chi	34	34	68
C.Giroux, Pha	24	44	68

Last night's games not included

CRICKET

WORLD CUP

QUARTER-FINALS

Yesterday's result
At Ahmadabad, India
India (261-5) def. Australia (260-6) by 5 wickets.
Wednesday's result
At Dhaka, Bangladesh
Pakistan (113, without loss) def. West Indies (112, all out) by 10 wickets.
Today's match
At Dhaka, Bangladesh
South Africa vs. New Zealand
Tomorrow's match
At Colombo, Sri Lanka
Sri Lanka vs. England

BASKETBALL

NCAA TOURNAMENT

All times Eastern

Regional Semifinals

EAST REGION
Tonight's games
North Carolina (28-7) vs. Marquette (22-14), 7 p.m.
Ohio State (34-2) vs. Kentucky (27-8), 9:30 p.m.
SOUTHEAST REGION
Last night's results
Florida 83 BYU 74
Butler (25-9) vs. Wisconsin (25-8)
SOUTHWEST REGION
Tonight's games
Kansas (34-2) vs. Richmond (29-7), 7:15 pm
Florida State (23-10) vs. Virginia Commonwealth (26-11), 9:55 p.m.
WEST REGION
Last night's results
Connecticut 74 San Diego St. 67
Duke (32-4) vs. Arizona (29-7)

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

Yesterday's results
Atlanta 5, Toronto 3
Washington 5 Detroit 2
Minnesota 7, Philadelphia 3
Tampa Bay 11, Houston 3
Florida 15, Boston 7
N.Y. Mets 16, St. Louis 3
Kansas City 9, Seattle 8
L.A. Dodgers 7, Colorado 5
Texas (ss) 15, Cincinnati 13
Milwaukee 11, L.A. Angels 8
Oakland 15, Arizona 7
Chicago Cubs 8, Chicago White Sox 7
Baltimore 11 Pittsburgh 7
San Diego vs. Texas (ss)
Cleveland vs. San Francisco

GOLF

PGA BAY HILL

At Orlando, Fla.
Par: 72 (36-36)
First Round

Spencer Levin	33-33—66
Rickie Fowler	37-32—69
Hunter Mahan	36-33—69
Jason Dufner	35-35—70
Brian Davis	36-34—70
Lee Janzen	37-33—70
Phil Mickelson	36-34—70
Martin Laird	36-34—70
Bubba Watson	35-35—70
Chris Couch	36-34—70
Also	
Stephen Ames	**37-38—75**

CURLING

WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

At Esbjerg, Denmark
FINAL ROUND-ROBIN STANDINGS

Country (skip)	W	L
x-Sweden (Norberg)	9	2
x-China (B.Wang)	8	3
x-Denmark (Nielsen)	7	4
y-Canada (Holland)	**7**	**4**
y-Switzerland (Ott)	7	4
Russia (Privivkova)	6	5
U.S. (Lank)	6	5
Germany (A.Schopp)	5	6
Scotland (Sloan)	4	7
Norway (Githmark)	3	8
South Korea (Kim)	2	9
Czech Rep. (Kubekova)	2	9

x — clinched Page playoff berth.
y — will play tiebreaker.
Yesterday's results
Draw 15
Canada 9 South Korea 2
China 8 Russia 5
Switzerland 9 Scotland 3
U.S. 6 Czech Republic 4
Draw 16
Canada 8 Germany 6
China 7 Denmark 5
Scotland 6 Norway 3
Sweden 7 Czech Republic 6 (extra end)
Draw 17
Denmark 10 Russia 3
Germany 6 South Korea 5
Switzerland 7 Norway 4
U.S. 8 Sweden 3
Today's games
Tiebreakers (if required)
Canada vs. Switzerland, 9 a.m.
Page Playoffs
One vs. Two
Sweden vs. China, 2 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Page Playoffs
Three vs. Four
Denmark vs. **Canada**/Switzerld. winner, 5 am
Semifinal
Swe./China loser vs. Three-Four winner, 10 am
Sunday's games
Bronze Medal Game
Semifinal loser vs. Three-Four loser, 5 a.m.
Gold Medal Game
Sweden/China vs. Semifinal winner, 10 a.m.

TENNIS

ATP-WTA SONY ERICSSON OPEN

At Key Biscayne, Fla.
Men Singles — First Round
Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Pere Riba, Spain, 6-3, 6-2.
Janko Tipsarevic, Serbia, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 6-4, 7-6 (5).
Andrea Seppi, Italy, def. Mischa Zverev, Germany, 6-2, 6-7 (9), 6-1.
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, def. Michael Berrer, Germany, 6-4, 7-6 (2).
Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 6-3, 7-6 (5).
Philipp Petzschner, Germany, def. Florent Serra, France, 6-1, 7-5.
Carlos Berlocq, Argentina, def. Jack Sock, U.S., 7-5, 7-6 (6).
Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, def. Daniel Brands, Germany, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Ruben Ramirez Hidalgo, Spain, def. Adrian Mannarino, France, 7-6 (3), 6-7 (3), 6-2.
Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, def. Gregor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, 6-2, 6-4.
Kei Nishikori, Japan, def. Jeremy Chardy, France, 7-6 (5), 6-2.
Women's Singles — Second Round
Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Bethanie Mattek-Sands, U.S., 6-2, 7-5.
Sam Stosur (4), Australia, def. Zheng Jie, China, 6-2, 6-1.
Jelena Jankovic (6), Serbia, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, 6-3, 6-1.
Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, def. Shahar Peer (10), Israel, 6-2, 6-2.
Svetlana Kuznetsova (11), Russia, def. Simona Halep, Romania, 6-0, 6-4.
Iveta Benesova, Czech Republic, def. Flavia Pennetta (13), Italy, 6-3, 6-0.
Sabine Lisicki, Germany, def. Nadia Petrova (18), Russia, 4-6, 6-3, 3-1 (retired).
Andrea Petkovic (21), Germany, def. Jamie Hampton, U.S., 6-2, 7-5.
Alexandra Dulgheru (26), Romania, def. Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, 6-3, 6-2.
Daniela Hantuchova (29), Slovakia, def. Melanie Oudin, U.S., 6-1, 6-3.
Lucie Safarova (30), Czech Republic, def. Patty Schnyder, Switzerland, 6-2, 6-4.
Klara Zakopalova (32), Czech Republic, def. Elena Baltacha, Britain, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
D.C. United	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Kansas City	1	1	0	0	3	2	3
New York	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Philadelphia	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Chicago	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
New England	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
Toronto	1	0	1	0	2	4	0
Columbus	1	0	1	0	1	3	0
Houston	1	0	1	0	0	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Los Angeles	2	1	0	1	2	1	4
Vancouver	1	1	0	0	4	2	3
Colorado	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Real Salt Lake	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Dallas	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
Chivas USA	1	0	1	0	2	3	0
Portland	1	0	1	0	1	3	0
San Jose	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
Seattle	2	0	2	0	0	2	0

Note: 3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.
Tonight's game
All times Eastern
Houston at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Portland at Toronto, 2 p.m.
New York at Columbus, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at Chicago, 4 p.m.
Vancouver at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
D.C. United at New England, 4:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
San Jose at Dallas, 9 p.m.
Colorado at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	51	19	.729	—
y-Boston	50	20	.714	1
x-Miami	49	22	.690	2½
x-Orlando	46	26	.639	6
Atlanta	40	32	.556	12
Philadelphia	37	34	.521	14½
New York	35	36	.493	16½
Indiana	32	40	.444	20
Milwaukee	28	42	.400	23
Charlotte	28	42	.400	23
Detroit	25	46	.352	26½
New Jersey	23	47	.329	28
Toronto	20	51	.282	31½
Washington	17	53	.243	34
Cleveland	13	57	.186	38

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	57	14	.803	—
y-L.A. Lakers	51	20	.718	6
x-Dallas	50	21	.704	7
d-Oklahoma City	46	24	.657	10½
Denver	43	29	.597	14½
Portland	41	30	.577	16
New Orleans	41	31	.569	16½
Memphis	40	32	.556	17½
Houston	38	34	.528	19½
Phoenix	36	34	.514	20½
Utah	36	37	.493	22
Golden State	30	42	.417	27½
L.A. Clippers	28	44	.389	29½
Sacramento	18	52	.257	38½
Minnesota	17	55	.236	40½

d – division leader; **x** — clinched playoff berth; **y** — clinched division.

Last night's results
Dallas 104, Minnesota 96
New Orleans 121, Utah 117 (OT)
Wednesday's results
Philadelphia 105, Atlanta 100
Indiana 111, Charlotte 88
New Jersey 98, Cleveland 94 (OT)
Memphis 90, Boston 87
Miami 100, Detroit 94
Sacramento 97, Milwaukee 90
Oklahoma City 106, Utah 94
Orlando 111, New York 99
Houston 131, Golden State 112
Phoenix 114 Toronto 106
Denver 115 San Antonio 112
L.A. Clippers 127, Washington 119 (2OT)
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Sacramento at Indiana, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Memphis at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 10 p.m.
Toronto at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

LACROSSE

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EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Toronto	11	9	2	.818	132	101	—
Buffalo	10	7	3	.700	110	93	1½
Boston	11	6	5	.545	117	102	3
Rochester	10	5	5	.500	93	107	3½
Philadelphia	11	4	7	.364	99	125	5

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Calgary	11	8	3	.727	140	123	—
Minnesota	9	5	4	.556	102	98	2
Washington	11	5	6	.455	146	135	3
Edmonton	11	2	9	.182	117	147	6
Colorado	9	1	8	.111	80	105	6

x — clinched playoff berth.
WEEK 12
Tomorrow's games
All times Eastern
Minnesota at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Toronto at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
Boston at Washington, 11 p.m.

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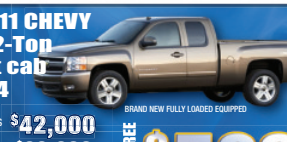

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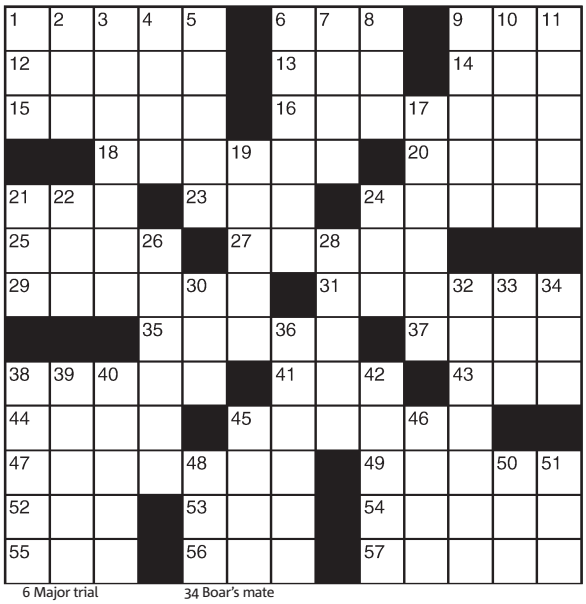

Across
1 Surrounded by
6 "— the ramparts ..."
9 Periodical, for short
12 Big name in grills
13 Catcher's place?
14 Lemieux milieu
15 Summarizing stanza
16 Stray
18 Absolutely
20 Unfavorable votes
21 "Eureka!"
23 1974 kidnap org.
24 Dodge
25 Green shot
27 Kazakhstan's — Mountains
29 Believer
31 "Gunsmoke" star
35 Watt power
37 World's fair
38 Wool eaters
41 IRS employee
43 Manhandle
44 Eastern bigwig
45 Shrimp recipe
47 Spread out from the center
49 Plank
52 Dance syllable
53 "Of course"
54 Lauder of cosmetics
55 "2001" computer
56 Type measures
57 Clarinetist's supply

Down
1 Shock and —
2 Chaps
3 Render unnecessary
4 Night light
5 Crossword diagrams
6 Major trial
7 Did surveillance on
8 Gun the engine
9 Cat's call (Var.)
10 Performed
11 Gaggle members
17 Queued
19 Cheer up
21 Suitable
22 "What?"
24 Listener
26 Month after Elul
28 Florida city
30 Rds.
32 Atone (for)
33 Hot tub
34 Boar's mate
36 Entry
38 Parade
39 Nebraska city
40 Re ebb and flow
42 Caution-light color
45 Branch
46 Sit for a shoot
48 Nay canceler
50 Crimson
51 — Moines

▶ Yesterday's answer

E	L	B	A		C	R	Y		A	G	E	S		
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Sudoku

	5		3	2	8		1	
2								8
		1				4		
3	4		1		2		5	6
				3				
6	2		4		7		9	1
		4				9		
5								7
	9		5	1	6		8	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

9	2	5	3	8	7	6	1	4
4	7	6	9	1	5	3	8	2
1	8	3	4	2	6	7	5	9
5	9	7	6	3	1	2	4	8
3	1	2	8	4	9	5	6	7
8	6	4	7	5	2	1	9	3
7	5	1	2	9	8	4	3	6
2	3	9	1	6	4	8	7	5
6	4	8	5	7	3	9	2	1

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Since we have been together I have been the happiest person in the world! My life wouldn't be the same without you. You are the love of my life! Love you forever & always **STABI**

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Warren, just cuz. U are the most precious man I have ever known. Always & Forever! PBWY xoxo. **LAURIE**

Dearest Igglyboo, happy two year anniversary! I'm lucky to have such a great boyfriend and best guy friend! Thanks for being there through all the rough times. xoxo **SC**

A look at the weather

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Min -6° Max -3°	Min -6° Max -1°	Min -7° Max 3°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist
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Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20 The obstacles you face may be huge, but you have what it takes to overcome each and every one of them. With courage and confidence there is nothing you cannot do.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 No doubt you would like nothing better than to cut yourself off from the outside world, but that is not an option at the moment. Make the best possible job of what it is you are asked to do. Be exceptional.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Some things are important and some things are not. You need to keep that in mind at all times. This can be a productive time for you, but don't waste energy on trivial things.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 If you are not yet getting the rewards and the respect you think you deserve, don't worry. In a matter of days your name will be up in lights. The Sun in Aries makes you wildly ambitious. Be the best.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You may be tempted to go on some sort of trip of discovery today. That's fine, but make sure you take a map or a compass because there is a possibility that you might lose your way.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You will see or hear something today that encourages you to view the world in a new way. This new way of thinking will answer many of the questions you've been asking.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Make it your business to find out what is upsetting someone you love, then make it your business to put it right for him or her. That may sound like a tall order but if anyone can do it, you can.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If someone with whom you live, work or socialize is upsetting your emotional balance, there's no reason to hang around. Keep it moving.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 At last, you've got a target to aim for. At last, you've got a challenge that is worthy of your talents. You've waited a long time for this opportunity, so don't waste it. Don't think, just act. Your higher self will guide you.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Stay calm, keep setbacks in perspective and know how to laugh at yourself. If you can do those three simple things then you can do anything. Your world is what you make of it, so make it a masterpiece.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Why are you still asking other people for their opinions? You already know what path you should be taking, so start walking. It's easy: Just put one foot in front of the other.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Think and act positive at all times and in all situations. There may be all sorts of negative things going on in the world but they don't have to affect you. SALLY BROMPTON

KEYSTONE, GEORGIOS KEFALAS/ THE AP

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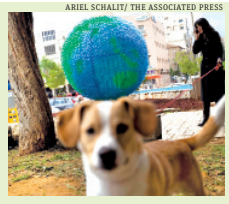

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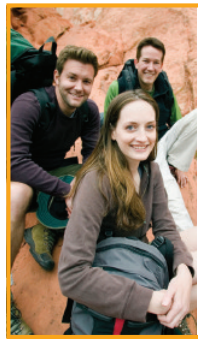
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1. White Sign removed from left wall 2. Added white sticker to trash can 3. Added small pillar left of dancer 4. Removed rear door handle from 2011 Chevrolet Cruze 5. Removed décor from gate behind 2011 Chevrolet Cruze 6. Removed small box on the wall above red trim 7. Removed sign on wall left of gate 8. Boy's sleeve is longer 9. Tattoo added on dancer's back 10. Tattoo added to girl's chest

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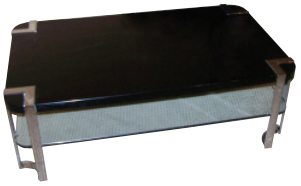

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